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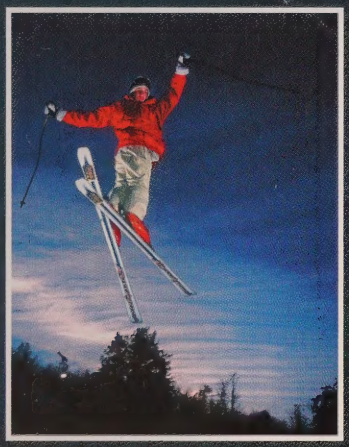

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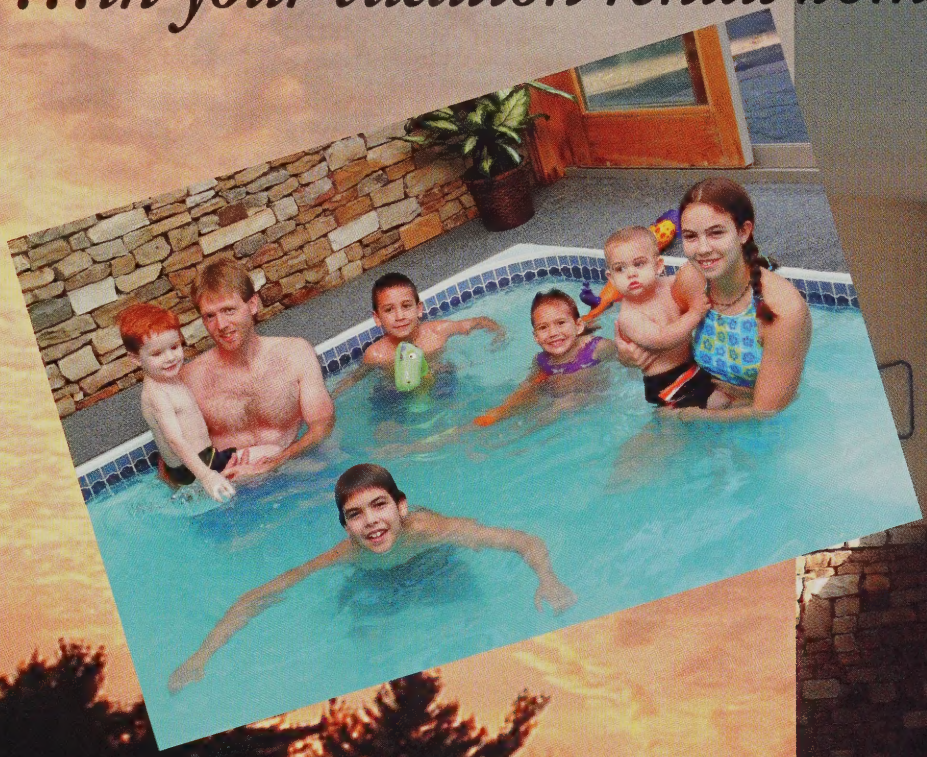

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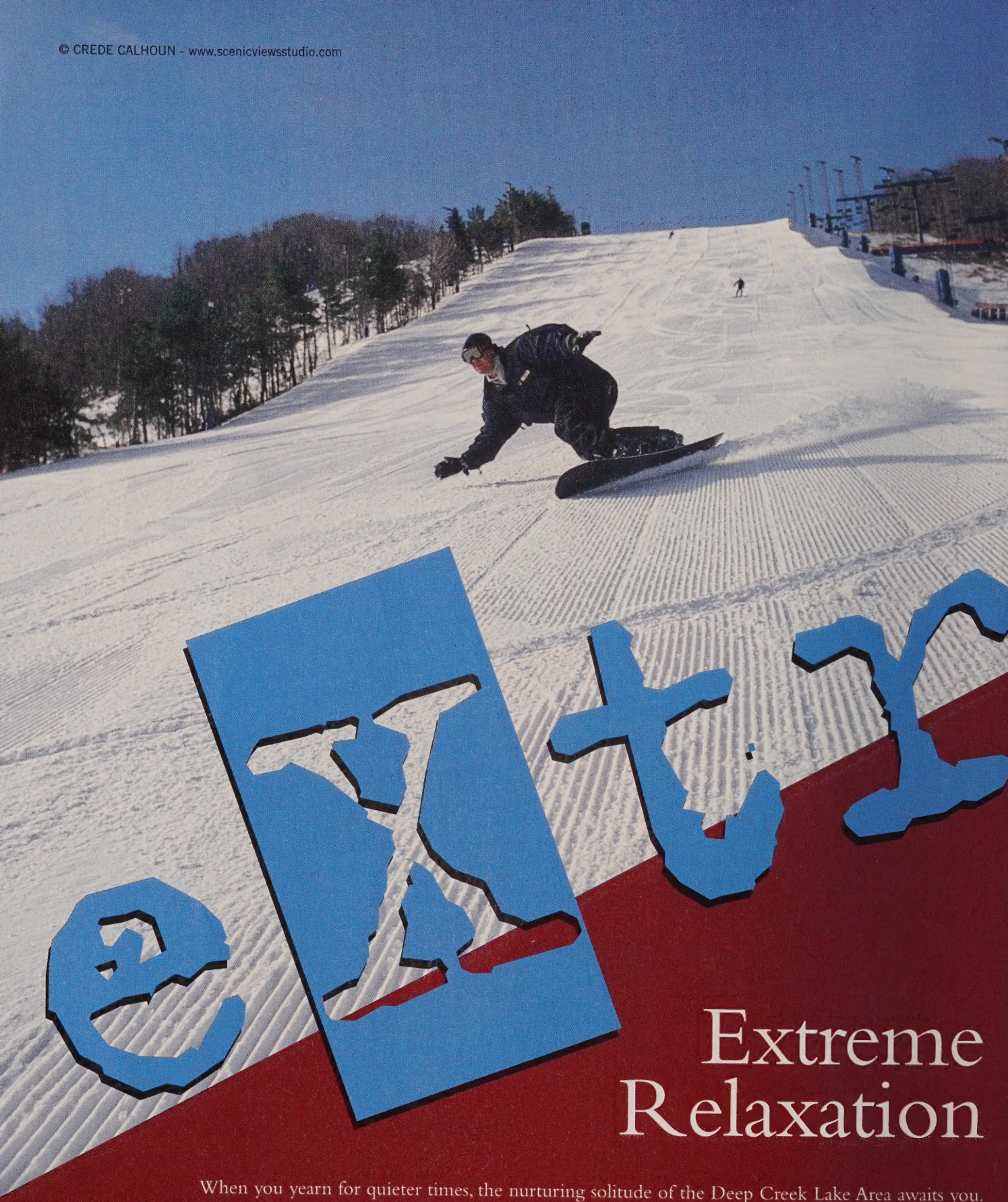

Extreme Relaxation

When you yearn for quieter times, the nurturing solitude of the Deep Creek Lake Area awaits you. Curl up with a glass of wine in front of a warm fire and bury your nose in that book you've been wanting to get to. You can also enjoy the scenic views from your bubbling hot tub or sneak in a refreshing nap while lounging in your lakeside hammock. At the Deep Creek Lake Area you can get the rest you need in the privacy of a luxury "cabin" for 2 or 32.

Extreme Recreation

VVROOOM! Ride your wave runner the entire 12-mile length of Deep Creek Lake. Or SWOOOSH! Slice through nine inches of perfect powder for the entire 600-foot vertical drop of Marsh Mountain at the Wisp Ski Resort. Pedal down a forested trail on your 24-speed, heavy-duty mountain bike "goin' like 60." Sluice the 12-knot current of the Wild and Scenic Youghiogheny River whitewater with a forward cut-and-pull of the paddle. Unmatchable thrills – and a possible spill – Garrett County has them!

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No matter what the season there are plenty of exciting recreational opportunities in the Deep Creek Lake Area. It may be on the 3,900 acres of Deep Creek Lake, the snow of the Wisp's 22 trails, down one of four cascading rivers, or on the 160 miles of recreational trails. And for the novice to the expert, a new $10 million Adventure Sports Complex will soon provide the best opportunity to hone the skills of even the keenest competitor.

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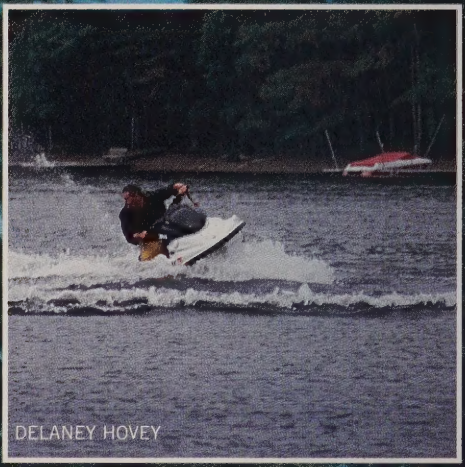

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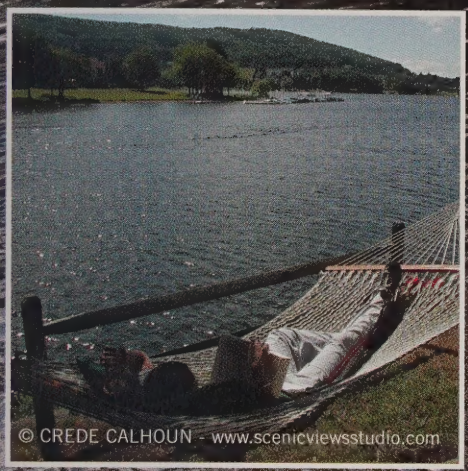
Recreation

Relaxation



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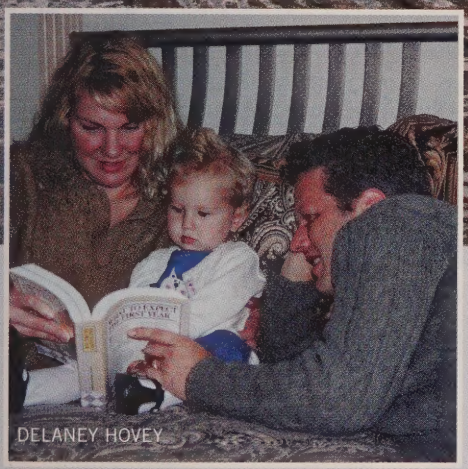

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These quiet mountain moments are a perfect time to share with your loved ones. You can enjoy long walks through woodlands in a companionable silence or animated conversation. Blow bubbles on the lounging deck of your lakeside bungalow; browse an eclectic bookstore or antique shop in downtown Oakland.

You may also find yourself filling out a friendly foursome at one of the picturesque golf courses in the Deep Creek and Oakland areas. The Deep Creek Lake Area offers unique attractions such as visiting the Simon Pearce glassblowing works; or Lou DiCarlo's Stained Glass Gallery; see the Drane House in Accident and find out how the town got its name; slip into Kitzmiller and learn about the early days of coal mining at the museum; or follow your nose down into the basement of Grantsville's Casselman Hotel to the doughy delights of the bakery below.

After all of this extreme relaxation, a trip to the hot tub may be the best "activity" after a satisfying day of exploring.

Spring

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Cutting-Edge

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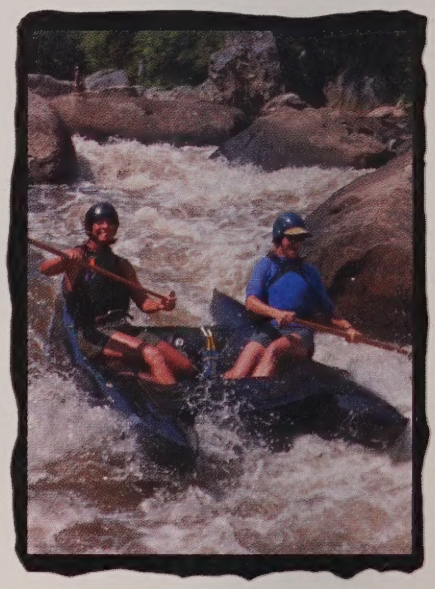

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You position your paddle and fix your attention on the fast-moving river ahead - the Youghiogheny with its Class V rapids. Shimmering rocks cut through long, rippling cords of brisk April waters. Sluicing swiftly through the white, churning river, you see the rocks cluster, leaving only narrow passages. Hard, harder, you dig into the sun-dazzled, frothing whirlpool in an effort to push your boat to the right and then quickly to the left in the roiling waters. Fast, faster, electric energy powers your brain, your body. Through the thunderous splashes against the unyielding surface, your sleek kayak cuts sharply between jutting boulders, spewing white plumes upward into the sun. You shoot forward powered by adrenaline, your paddle and the unforgiving current.

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Summer Adventures

You're on Deep Creek Lake and it's time for wakeboarding! You've already mastered those really large heelside wake jumps, and now it's time for a front flip. Yeah, you're psyched for this. You're up and out of the water and the boat's wake begins to widen. You cut out 15', 18', 20', and then swing back on a progressive edge. That's the way they said to take it - starting with weight on your back foot as you pop off the wake and straighten that leg. Now rolling forward, push your head and shoulder toward the board's nose. The front of the board is up. You're midway through a cartwheel in the air. Coming around, your board's perpendicular to the water. Ease up on the rope, bend legs, hand back for balance. Slap! Whoosh! You're down and racing to the outside again.

On another part of Deep Creek Lake, just beyond the Glendale Bridge, under a brilliant July sky, you launch your sailboat. It's a Flying Scot, of course, handcrafted by its designer right here in Garrett County. It is said "to sail in a whisper." The gentle breeze billows the 190 square feet of white mainsail and jib as you skim lightly along the shoreline. Sun warms your face while the cool air clears all the cobwebs away. Next stop: the Bermuda Cup.

HIGH MOUNTAIN SPORTS

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HIGH MOUNTAIN SPORTS

Autumn

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Cutting-Edge

Brilliant color startles the senses. Leaves drift down through the October-clear sky: fiery reds, butter yellows and gold. You set out on the recreational trail above Deep Creek Lake heading for the Meadow Mountain section. The narrow path twists among the rock outcroppings as you climb up, up, up, bike tires biting into dirt. Aching muscles contort against the upward grade. Progress is slow but certain, until a surprised grouse bursts from the brush by the trail, frantically beating wings against the wind. It's hard to say who is more startled, bird or rider. You regain your composure and pedal on, reaching speeds of 25 m.p.h. on the few flats encountered. Ancient tree roots tangle beneath your wheels and you push harder to scramble up the ever-increasing ascent. Crisp mountain air cools your body as it works and tight calf muscles ache. With a final push, you reach the summit. Ahhh! You pause in a clearing on the mountain ridge and savor the moment. Far below you watch the mountain streams and contoured fields roll across the valley.

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Winter Adventures

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You are so ready for this - the monstrous WISP Super Pipe. It's the largest half pipe in the Mid-Atlantic and the Deep Creek Lake area has it: vertical 15-foot snow walls loom along the carved 400-foot-long run. It's cold, really cold, but you've got your gear on and can't wait for your turn. You're next. Starting above on your snowboard, you drop down to the pipe floor using your speed to build more speed, pumping your muscles to fly through the pipe. Energy bursts from within, thrusting you up the snow wall and beyond the rim - into the air! You can hear your buddies cheering. A sharp twist of your body and your board flies back down the wall of the pipe. Hurtling forward, your legs, arms and body strain to the limit as you skim up the walls, linking turns from top to bottom and to the EXTREME!

Download

In a high-tech, fast-paced society, the demands on one's energy can exceed reserves and the clock-ticking-deadline-looming schedules can stoke tensions to the migraine stage. But there is an antidote for this frenzied lifestyle—a getaway to the Deep Creek Lake area, where you can recharge and still be connected to e-mail and the Internet.

As you plan your vacation or getaway weekend in the Deep Creek Lake area, know that you are part of an age-old tradition.

Teeming with wildlife, this wilderness of forests and rivers attracted native American Indian hunting parties long before European ships reached the shores of the New World. Nearly 4,000 years ago, summer camps served as bases for these hunters while they tracked elk, buffalo, turkey, deer, pheasant, and grouse. They also pulled a hearty supply of trout and other fish from the cold, clear waters.

Today, some of the early hunting trails can still be hiked through the woodlands and beside the streams. You can learn more about these very early "tourists" by visiting the Garrett County Historical Society Museum in Oakland.

In the Deep Creek Lake area you can have solitude and easy access to the electronic world. Many vacation homes provide computers, and you are also welcome at the Garrett County Visitors Center in McHenry to check e-mail and the Internet. In the Deep Creek Lake area you can still be in touch when you get away.

Your Stress

Travel by Boat

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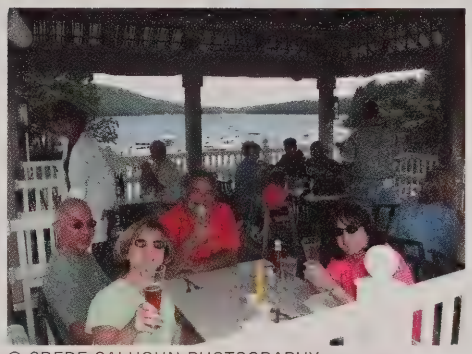

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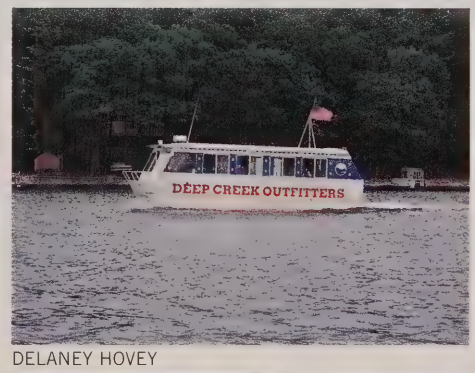

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Ready to park your car and leave the traffic behind? Many places may tout the "uniqueness of the experience," but where, outside of Venice, Italy, can you "travel by boat?" The Deep Creek Lake Area!

Deep Creek Lake is just one of three huge lakes in Garrett County for motorboats and personal watercraft. It extends 12 miles and has 65 miles of shoreline perfect for boat travel. When the need arises travel by boat to the grocery store, bank, six restaurants, bait shop, hardware store, or stop and enjoy the No. 1 vanilla ice cream in the country at Lakeside Creamery. You can also boat to the movie theatre, an office supply store, or one of our 700 rental homes, 13 hotels, three bed & breakfasts or campgrounds. A boat trip to the state park offers playgrounds, pavilions and scheduled ranger activities.

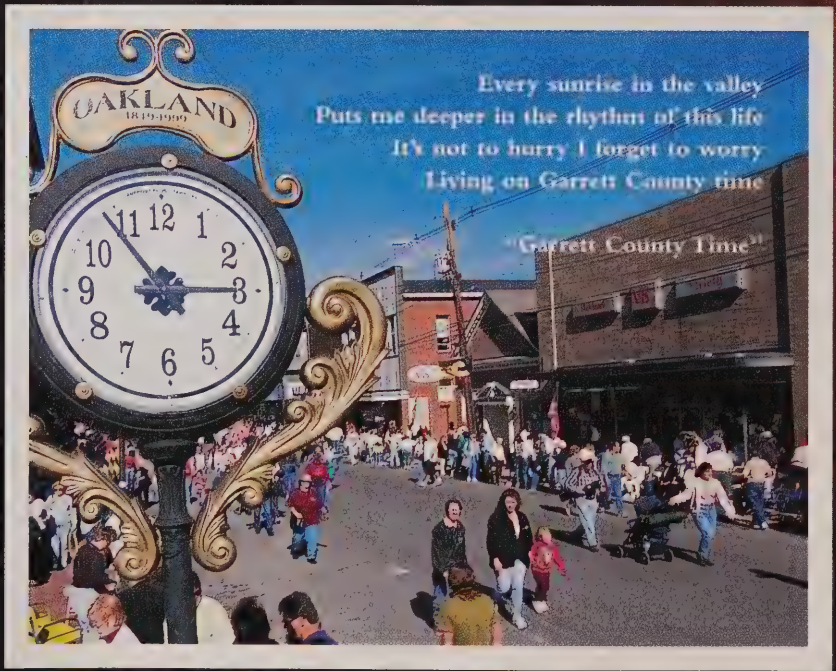
Nearly every type of boat, from sailboat to personal watercraft (PWC) to speedster, can be seen on Deep Creek Lake. Local marinas have boats available for rent, and prices vary according to the size of the boat. Sailing on the lake is exceptional with races held every weekend in the season. The Deep Creek Sailing School even offers on-the-water sailing lessons.

Even though the Chesapeake Bay may offer similar amenities, overall, you must travel great distances to a variety of locales to get the convenience offered in a self-contained community like Deep Creek Lake.

Visiting various businesses by boat provides visitors a special opportunity to enjoy the beauty of the area. Pick up a *Travel By Boat* brochure with a map of the lake, read the informative descriptions, and then choose your destinations. Shopping opportunities are unique and diversified on the lake. For more information, contact the Deep Creek Lake Recreation Area office, 898 State Park Road, Swanton, MD 21561, or call 301-387-4111.

Living on Garrett County Time

Just like the song suggests, there is a quality to "Living on Garrett County Time" that cannot be found anywhere else. It is not slow but rather straightforward; it is not fast but determined; it is not planned but moves along by a predetermined order - Nature's.



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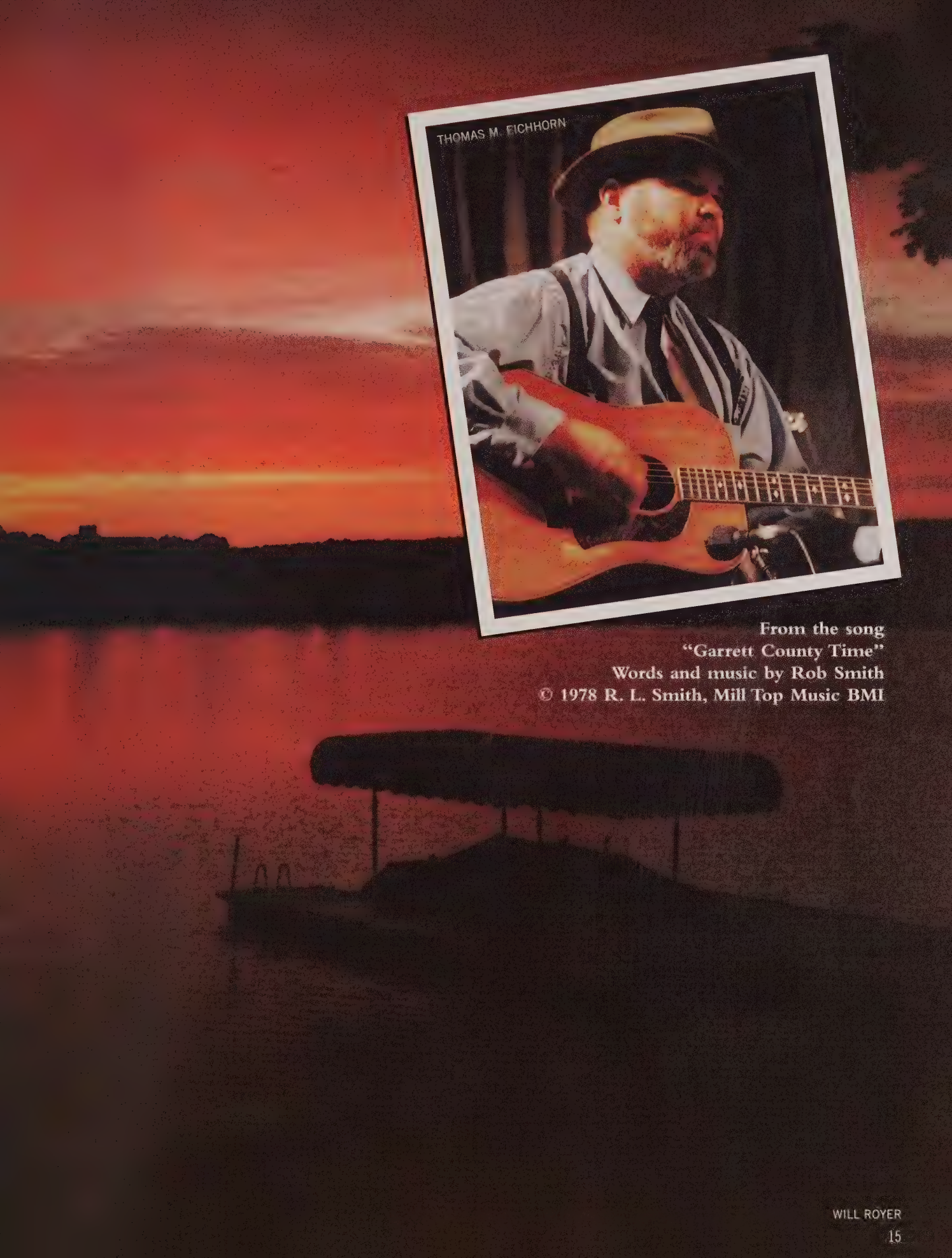

From the song
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WILL ROYER

Spring – Awaken Your Senses

Long awaited and anxiously greeted, the warmer days of spring coax pale green buds from bare branches. Young creatures venture into the sunshine to explore a new world transforming from grays to greens and golds. The Deep Creek Lake area, with its promise of renewal, is the perfect place to experience this season. It will awaken your senses to the colors, the sounds, and the scents of the natural world.

This would be the time to have a camera ready to capture the sights and the memories of springtime in the mountains. To find the best places to hear bird song, to glimpse woodland critters, to see early wildflowers, or just get out and stretch those muscles, there are guides, tours, and rental equipment available.

Explore the biological riches of Maryland's mountain wild lands and forests on a guided hike or comfortable walk with Elk Ridge Nature Works. Take a bike tour or flat-water kayak trip with High Mountain Sports. Camp Earth offers to connect you with nature on a custom ecology tour, which may be on land or water. If you prefer exploring mountain trails by horseback, visit one of our local stables or discover a wide range of outdoor spring programs, such as wildflower walks, medicinal plant walks, and birding.

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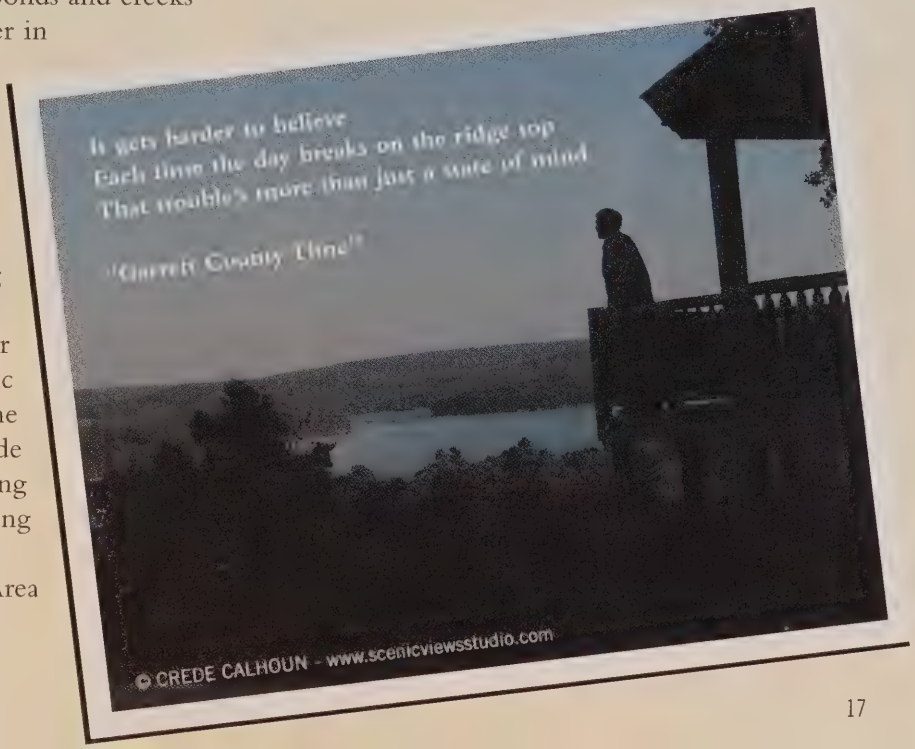
LAURA DAVIS

Summer — Wet is Wonderful!

Rivers, lakes, streams, rills, waterfalls, ponds and creeks — for every purpose there is a body of water in the Deep Creek Lake Area. Summer in the mountains provides perfect weather for every type of water sport. Nature's pools are ready for water skiing, personal watercraft, wakeboarding, scuba diving, kayaking, rafting, sailing, motor boating, sail surfing, and the water-loving swimmer.

The Deep Creek Lake Area has water sports from whitewater, used for Olympic trials, to lake surface used to design the Flying Scot sailboats. Local outfitters provide various excursions - from romantic evening cruises on the lake to flat water kayaking Eco Tours.

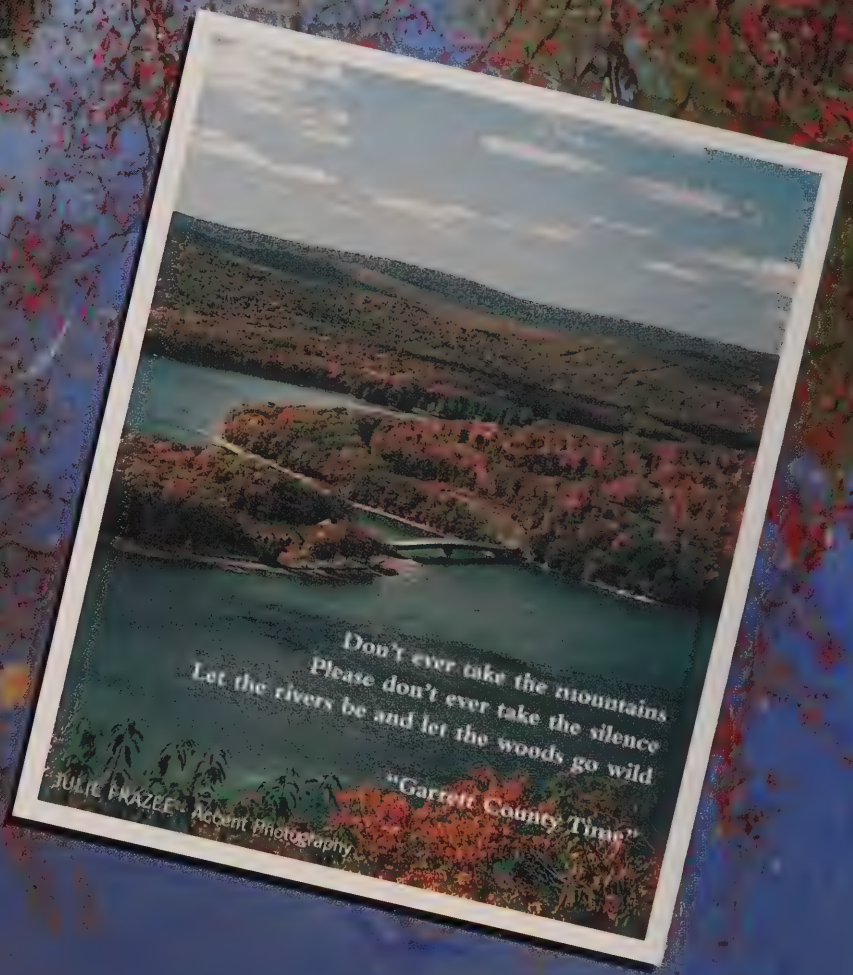
After visiting the Deep Creek Lake Area you'll agree "wet is wonderful!"



Thousand of acres of mountain forest turn into a brilliant display of color as autumn settles on the Deep Creek Lake area. It is little wonder that this season is celebrated here with Garrett County's signature festival, Autumn Glory. In October 2002, the 35th annual Autumn Glory Festival attracted thousands of visitors and residents to enjoy the finest in banjo and fiddle music; legendary vocalists and an Oompah band; two spectacular parades; Oktoberfest fare and traditional turkey dinners. There were also craft sales and artisan demonstrations, plus many more events.

Crowds lined the streets of Oakland to view the floats, marching bands, and drill teams. Cheers greeted the grand marshal, our local hometown heroes: the employees of Wayne's Water 'N' Wells who helped rescue the Quecreek Nine, the miners trapped underground following a cave-in in neighboring Somerset County, Pa.

Autumn – The Signature Season



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Winter – Crisp and Cozy

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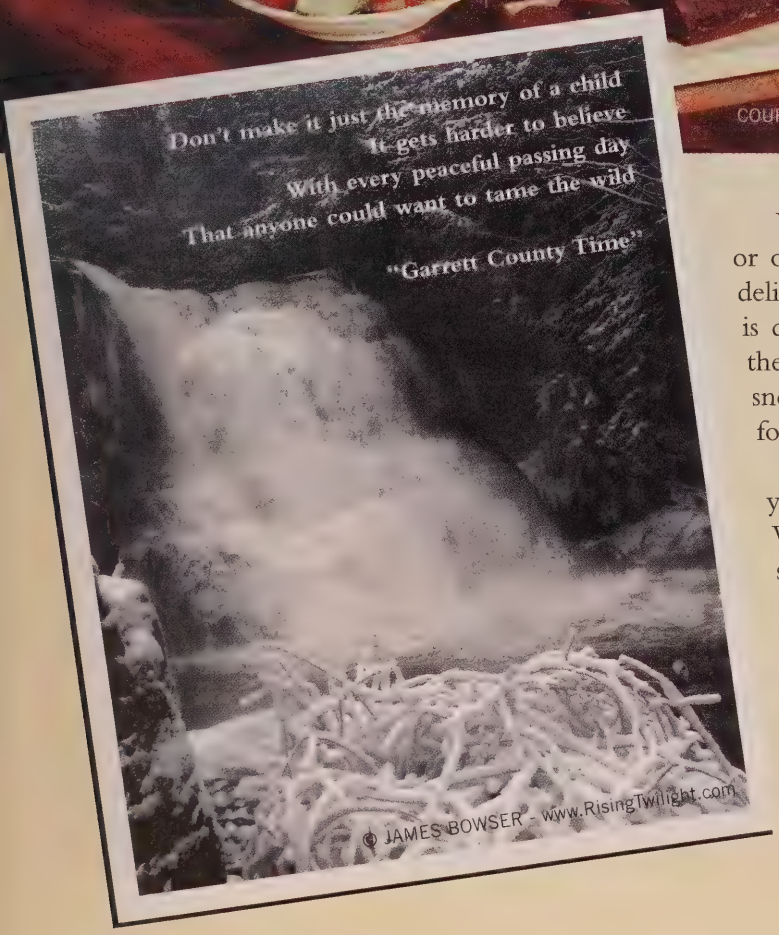

Winter along Deep Creek Lake, on the slopes of Wisp, or out in the wild forest of Savage River is an absolute delight to those who worship the white powder. The air is clean and crisp and fills you with the anticipation of the winter activities. Skiing, snowboarding, ice fishing, snowshoeing, and ice climbing are just a few suggestions for your snowy excursion.

Stacks of nicely cured, split hardwood ensure that you will be cozy in front of your warm fireplace. Wood smoke, the rough-hewn stone fireplace and something hot to imbibe say it all about being comfy even though the elements threaten outside. And the choice for dinner can be yours from "cook and dine in" to a casual dine-out to a catered to order piéce de resistance. Winter here offers the whole spectrum. You choose — crisp or cozy.

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Great Getaways – Great Savings!

Vacationing on a budget is no problem when visiting the Deep Creek Lake area. Value seasons, ranging from March through April and November through early December, are the perfect time for a genuinely stress-free, crowd-free getaway with discounted prices.

This is truly a four-season vacation spot with plenty of attractions, accommodations and restaurants to visit. There are no "Closed until next season" signs or boarded up shops here. The reality is that the summer, early fall and winter are the peak times, while the Value Seasons of early spring and late fall offer a chance to visit or unwind in your second home at a dramatically reduced cost on nearly everything.

Be sure to visit www.deepcreeklakeinfo.com and watch your newspapers for the "DEEP Creek DEEP Discount" program. And build your own packages on our convenient, easy-to-use website. Everything from lodging to dining to events with plenty of specials can be yours for the clicking! Every season is a good season to visit the Deep Creek Lake area and the surrounding communities in Garrett County.

Seasonal Pricing Guide – Check with a local accommodation or rental office for actual rates.

$ – Off Season
$$ – Shoulder Season
$$$ – Winter Season
$$$$ – Peak Season

SPRING		SUMMER	FALL		WINTER
$	$$	$$$$	$$	$	$$$

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Forests, Parks & Lakes

Camping in State Forests

Maryland's State Forests have primitive campsites without man-made improvements.

Potomac and Garrett State Forests offer pine shelters. Campers may self-register at various sites throughout the area. Service fees are charged for shelters and campsites. Pets are permitted in Maryland State Forests. The season lasts all year long, allowing unlimited camping hours. Quiet time is 11 p.m.

Family party in the park. © CREDE CALHOUN - www.scenicviewsstudio.com

Garrett State Forest

Mountain forests, streams and valleys make up the 7,400 acres in Garrett State Forest. In 1906, the Garrett brothers of the B&O Railroad fame gave the State of Maryland 2,000 acres of forestland under the condition that a state forestry department be established to manage the area. The donated area was originally named Swallow Falls State Forest. The name was changed in 1976 to Garrett State Forest in honor of the donors. Pets are invited to accompany responsible owners. For information, call 301-334-2038.

Potomac State Forest

This forest contains 12,400 acres of trees, streams and wildlife. It is located along Backbone Mountain, near the headwaters of the historic Potomac River. The terrain is rugged with elevations ranging from 1,800 feet along the Potomac to 2,960 feet on Backbone Mountain.

This steep gradient has numerous fast falling brooks and streams which feed the river. Several of the larger streams are Schell, Laurel, Lostland Run and Crabtree Creek. The possibilities for recreation in the forest are, for the most part, of a primitive nature. It offers scenic vistas, camping, hunting, fishing, biking, and nature appreciation. Various activities are offered throughout the year. Pets are a welcome addition. For information, call 301-334-2038.

Savage River State Forest

This is the largest of Maryland's State Forests and contains over 53,000 acres of forestland, streams and wildlife habitat for your enjoyment. This forest is located in Garrett County and forms part of the Appalachian Plateau. Within the Savage River State Forest are two state parks - New Germany and Big Run. These are developed, recreational areas offering housekeeping cabins, picnicking, improved campsites and other facilities. Also within the forest is the 360-acre Savage River Reservoir. The forest offers camping, hiking, sightseeing, fishing, hunting, biking and winter sports. Pets are a welcome addition. For information, call 301-895-5759.

Camping in State Parks

Individual parks vary in times of operation and service charges. It is recommended that you call the specific state park for further information. Please refer to the chart on page 38. Campers are not permitted to enter the camping area after 10 p.m. Several state park campgrounds accept pets; call for information. Swallow Falls now has five 'equipped sites' which provide a tent, stove, lantern and propane.

Trailers

Camping trailers up to 29 feet in length are permitted. Electric hookups are available at various state parks. House trailers are not permitted.

Improved Grounds

Each campsite is a 24' x 24' camp pad with a picnic table, fire ring with grill, a lantern post and room for a camper trailer, RV or tent. The driveway allows for the parking of one vehicle. Some driveways have room for additional vehicles or trailers. Some parks have additional parking for extra vehicles. Camping areas have centrally located washhouses with toilets, sinks, showers and hot/cold water. Drinking fountains and cold-water spigots are near each washhouse. Laundry tubs are available at the washhouses in some parks. The State Forest and Park Service Camping and Cabin Reservations Office will accept calls from May 1 to September 30. Campers planning a visit outside those dates need to contact the individual park. Reservations for campsites, cabins and picnic shelters at a state park can be made up to one year in advance. Call the Reservation Service Office, 888-432-CAMP (2267) or visit www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/.

Full Service Cabins

Cabins at Herrington Manor and New Germany State Parks may be reserved for one-week intervals from Memorial Day through Labor Day and for two-night minimum stays for all other months of the year. Some cabins are handicapped accessible. Prospective cabin renters may directly call the park to make those reservations. Reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Reservations may be made up to nine months in advance of the desired date. The State Forest and Park Service Camping and Cabin Reservations Office will accept calls from May 1 to September 30, 888-432-CAMP (2267) or visit www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/.

Big Run State Park

With 300 acres in Garrett County, Big Run State Park offers rustic camping opportunities with 30 unimproved

campsites and a youth group camping area. Situated at the mouth of the Savage River Reservoir, the park is 16 miles from exit 24 of Interstate 68. The park is actually surrounded by the acreage of Savage River State Forest - so visitors to the area have an even wider array of recreational opportunities with the facilities at all of these public land sites in Western Maryland. With boat launches nearby, Big Run is a popular base camp for outdoor lovers intent on fishing, camping, hiking or hunting. Pets are permitted at campsites. Big Run is the trailhead for a six-mile hiking trail, known as Monroe Run. There is a rental picnic pavilion which can accommodate 100 people available by reservation. For information, call 301-895-5453.

Casselman River Bridge State Park

Spanning four acres and located in Garrett County, Casselman River Bridge State Park is east of Grantsville on U.S. Route 40. The beautiful, 80-foot stone arch bridge was part of the old National Road. When constructed in 1813, it was the largest of its kind in the world. For information, call 301-895-5453.

Deep Creek Lake State Park

Encompassing over 1,818 acres, Deep Creek Lake State Park is three miles southeast of McHenry, on the east side of Deep Creek Lake, Maryland's premier destination resort. The park fronts on a six-square mile, man-made lake. Water sports of all kinds are popular, and in the winter the park offers six miles of snowmobile trails. Pets must be under the control of responsible owners at all times and must be leashed when on hiking trails. Pets are also permitted on a limited number of campsites but are not permitted in the day use area of the park. The park offers camping, swimming, picnicking, boat launching, interpretive programs, hiking and a variety of recreational opportunities in the resort area. For information, call 301-387-5563.

Herrington Manor State Park

Covering 365 acres, Herrington Manor State Park is located four miles northwest of Oakland. Situated in the middle of Garrett State Forest, the park features a 53-acre lake and many wooded trails. In the winter, the park offers cross-country ski trails along with ski rentals. There are 20 log cabins available to rent. For information, call 301-334-9180.

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Mt. Nebo Wildlife Management Area

Nestled in the mountains of Garrett County, Mt. Nebo Wildlife Management Area, a 2,000-acre tract of land, protects one of the most unique wetlands in Maryland - a red spruce bog. Bogs are more typically found in northern states and Canada, but Mt. Nebo's elevation has ideal conditions for this special wetland. Beaver ponds, alder thickets and sedge meadows along with 1,500 acres of forest and 40 acres of fields make it a prime destination for outdoor sportsmen and nature lovers. For information, call 301-334-4255.

New Germany State Park

New Germany State Park's 455 acres are located about four miles south of Grantsville on New Germany Road. The park is built on the site of a once-prosperous milling center in Savage River State Forest, and features a 13-acre lake and 11 rental cabins. Trails for hiking in summer and cross-country skiing in winter lead through typical Western Maryland forestlands. For information, call 301-895-5453.

Swallow Falls State Park

Swallow Falls State Park stretches 257 acres and is located about six miles north of Oakland, on Swallow Falls Road. This mountainous park contains some of Maryland's most breathtaking scenery. The Youghiogheny River flows along the park's borders, passing through shaded rocky gorges and creating rippling rapids. Muddy Creek Falls is a crashing 53-foot waterfall - a spectacular sight. Tall hemlocks dominate the silent woods, and pets are allowed at designated sites all year. For information, call 301-334-9180.

Youghiogheny Wild and Scenic River

The section of the Youghiogheny River between Miller's Run and Friendsville was designated as Maryland's first wild river. The goal of the state of Maryland is to provide for the cooperative management, preservation and protection of the Youghiogheny River and its outstanding scenic, geologic, historic, ecological, recreational, agricultural, fish, wildlife and cultural values. Approximately 2,500 acres of public lands are managed. Whitewater boating, trout fishing, hunting and hiking are the predominant uses of the park. For more information, call 301-387-5563.

For more detailed information about individual parks or forests, visit the Maryland DNR website: www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands.

Lakes

Federal Lakes

Jennings Randolph Lake - Corps of Engineers Office, 304-355-2346

Jennings Randolph Lake, authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1962, was a $175 million project that was completed in 1982. The full recreation lake hosts boating (speed, personal watercraft, fishing, sail and rowing), fishing, water-skiing, scuba diving and many other activities. It is 5.5 miles long, has a 13.6-mile shoreline and covers 952 acres. The recreation area surrounding Jennings Randolph covers 4,500 acres. It offers a visitor center, picnic sites, pavilions, playgrounds, camping facility, interpretive trail, horseshoe pits and basketball court. The Maryland Department of Natural Resources has a new boat launch which is accessible from Rt. 135 and Mt. Zion Rd. For information, call 301-334-9180.

Youghiogheny River Lake – Corps of Engineers Office, 814-395-3166

In the heart of the Laurel Highlands and spanning the Mason-Dixon Line sits the Youghiogheny River Lake. Experience the clean waters and mountains, which provide an unsurpassed setting for outdoor recreation. The lake is 16 miles long and covers 2,840 acres.

Visitors can camp, fish, motorboat, jet ski, sail, picnic and many other activities. Mill Run Access Area offers a visitor center, camping, boat launch, swimming facility and more. For more information, call 301-746-5248.

State Lakes

Deep Creek Lake – 301-387-4111

Limitless recreational options are offered at Deep Creek Lake - Maryland's largest freshwater lake. Boating, swimming, fishing and sailing are popular summer fun activities. Wisp, Maryland's only Alpine ski resort, overlooks Deep Creek Lake and offers year-round resort and conference facilities, including an 18-hole championship golf course, as well as 22 trails (over 80 acres) for skiers of all abilities. Nearly every type of boat from sailboat, personal watercraft (PWC) to speedster can be seen on Deep Creek Lake. Local marinas have boats available for rental. Prices vary according to the size of the boat. Sailing on the lake is exceptional with races held every weekend during the season. There are lakefront cabins for rent with docks. Bring your boat and use it as the mode of travel. You can grocery shop, dine at several restaurants, visit the night spots, see a movie, get fishing bait or boating supplies all from your boat.

Herrington Manor Lake – 301-334-9180

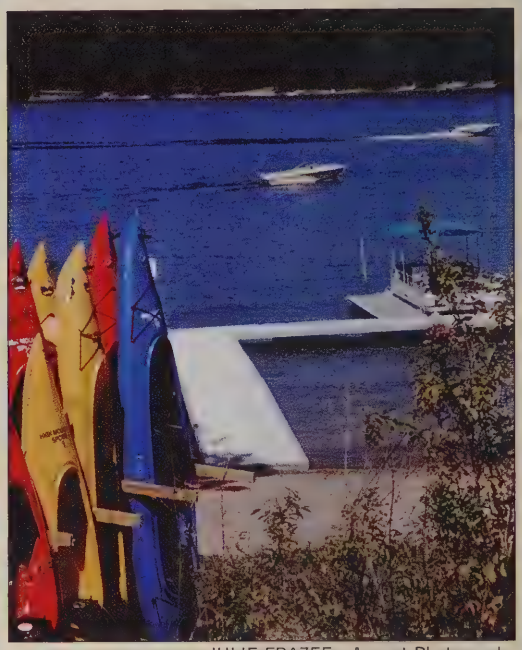
Herrington Manor Lake has 53 acres of water with a picnic area, snack bar, life guarded beach and paddleboats, rowboats, canoes and kayaks available to rent. The dam, constructed in the 1930's by the Civilian Conservation Corps during the Great Depression, is stocked with trout, bass, crappie and catfish. All non-gasoline motor watercrafts are invited to use the facility.

New Germany Lake – 301-895-5453

This small lake, just minutes from I-68, is nestled in the tranquil beauty of New Germany State Park and is a favorite of campers. It features a sandy, life-guarded beach with rowboat, paddleboat and surf bike rentals. It is stocked with sport fish and is the center of activity in the park.

Savage River Reservoir – 301-359-3944

Majestic mountains rise out of this crystal clear water. You are invited to launch your own canoe, kayak or non-gasoline powered craft to enjoy some of the best sport fishing in the country. Game fish include trout, bass, crappie, walleye, perch and catfish. A catch-and-release fly-fishing area boasts six-and seven-pound brown and rainbow trout. Give this rugged environment a try - it is sure to please.



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Water fun awaits!

Municipal Lakes

Broadford Lake Park – 301-334-9222

Broadford Lake Park is one of Oakland's municipal parks and located in the southern end of the county, only one mile from Oakland. Canoes, sailboards, rowers and electric trolling crafts are invited to navigate the 140 acres of beautiful flat water. Pets are welcome in a designated area. The lake is regularly stocked with trout, crappie, bass and catfish. Amenities include a boat launch and docks, picnic areas, sandy swimming beach and lake house. The gates are locked during the winter months but access is permitted following the posted guidelines.

Park Watch -

Maryland State Forest and Park Service has a PARK WATCH Program. Park and forest visitors are encouraged to take an active role in protecting personal property and preserving public lands. If you observe any suspicious activity, vandalism or safety hazards, you are asked to report them to the PARK WATCH Hotline: 1-800-825-PARK. ▲

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Rock climbing
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ALPINE (DOWNHILL) SKIING

Wisp at Deep Creek Mountain Resort is Maryland's only Alpine ski area. Rising to an elevation of 3,080 feet with a 610-foot vertical drop, Wisp offers a wide variety of terrain to suit both young and old, from beginner to expert. Wisp boasts 22 trails covering 14 miles, 100 acres of ski-able terrain and a super pipe and terrain park. The lift system includes three triple and two double chair lifts plus three surface tows with uphill capacity of 9,120 skiers per hour. Night skiing is available over 90 percent of the trails. A state-of-the-art snowmaking system is capable of producing 48 inches of man-made snow on 90 percent of all trails when nature needs a little help. Specialized computerization, water pumping stations, 12 ponds, and additional water from Deep Creek Lake, coupled with skilled snowmaking and grooming personnel, have earned Wisp the 'best snowmaking in the East' reputation. Check their ads on pages 52 & 70.

Beginner trails make up 20 percent of all ski-able terrain, 50 percent are intermediate trails and the remaining 30 percent make up the expert trails, including Devil's Drop. Snowboarders, ski boarders and skiers can catch some air in the adrenaline-pumping Devil's Arena Terrain Park. Perform acrobatic maneuvers off half pipes, quarter pipes, tabletops and spines – all made of snow. Wisp recently added Bear Claw Snow Tubing Park in 2001/2002. Snow tubing, America's fastest growing winter

activity, is the perfect family outdoor adventure and is fun for all ages. There are no lessons needed or expensive equipment to buy and snow tubing has all the thrills of sledding without the long hike back up the mountain. Two surface ropes carry tubers to the top of the eight runs and they ride the tube to the bottom of the hill.

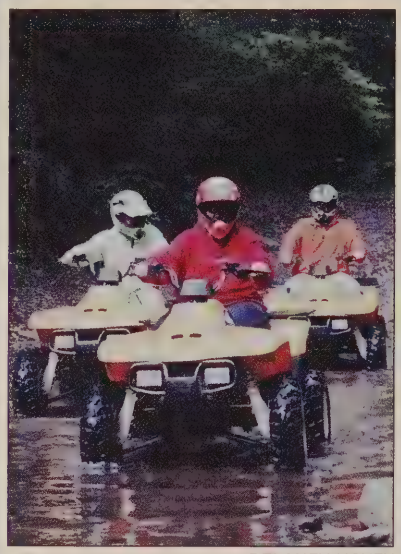
The base lodge at Wisp, The McHenry House, has expanded over 13,000 square feet this year and offers a variety of food and beverage outlets that are open year-round. Willy Wisp, a unique year-round youth center operated in conjunction with Garrett College, offers opportunities for education, exercise, exploration and socialization in the resort atmosphere of Wisp. Winter programming offers full and half day ski packages that include lessons, equipment, lunch, snacks and an orientation to snow play. An abundance of summer camps featuring hiking, biking, tennis, golf, swimming, performing arts and computer technology will stimulate and dazzle your child! Ski conditions are available at www.skiwisp.com or www.skimaryland.com.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment at its finest is offered by local and touring artists at the Garrett Lakes Arts Festival at Deep Creek Lake, Little Yough Summer Music Festival, Our Town Theatre for the performing arts in Oakland and the Garrett County Arts Council. Programming includes Chautauqua, chamber music, Irish dance, ballet, barbershop quartets and numerous theatre productions. Entertainment is held every weekend throughout the summer season. For more information, contact the Chamber of Commerce and see the ads on pages 47 & 57.

ATV TRAILRIDING

A tree covered trail, through a beautiful heavy canopy of hardwoods with white-tailed deer and numerous small game. Discover a fast brook tumbling through a gorge - all set in the mountains. There are 90 wonderful miles of trails through scenic Garrett County. Bring your own ATV and pay a $15 Department of Natural Resources (DNR) trail fee or rent one and go on a guided ride through beautiful forested trails with Western Maryland ATV Tours, 800-967-7738. See their ad on page 43.



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BACKPACKING – Also see Hiking

Backpacking is permitted in Savage River, Potomac and Garrett State Forests. Note that a permit is required for overnight camping. Contact the State Forest offices for information. Refer to page 21.

BIKING – Also see Freestyle biking and Mountain biking

We are "bicycle friendly" and there are hundreds of miles of easy to moderate rolling terrain for the beginner to intermediate cyclists. More challenging routes are also available for the experienced rider. Garrett County's State Highway Administration has provided 10' shoulders on most areas of Routes 40, 135 and 219 which are broom cleaned each spring. All routes are easily accessible to motels, restaurants and shopping. The towns of Oakland and Mountain Lake Park are both of historical interest and provide easy and leisurely rides.

County roads are rural and rolling, but always with a spectacular view of the Maryland countryside. Many of our state park trails are shared with hikers, cyclists and snowmobilers. Please pick up a trail map for biking specifics. The Garrett Trail Guide can be found at www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/trailguide/. The Allegheny Trail Alliance, Pittsburgh, PA, to Cumberland, MD, will be connecting to the C&O Canal Towpath, which continues into Washington, DC. For more information, call 888-ATA-Bike. Please wear your helmet.

BIRDING

Your heart pounds as you wait breathlessly! In the depth of the hemlock you hear a magical song. A suggestion of movement is evidence that your quarry will soon be visible. There! On the branch's end, in a small patch of sunlight perches the stunning black, white and yellow bird you've been stalking - the Magnolia Warbler.

Birding is the fastest growing outdoor activity in the United States according to the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology. And it's no wonder - the lure of the hunt is powerful and the birds are gorgeous. They are everywhere and the thrill of the chase is beyond compare. Garrett County has some extensive and exceptional birding hot spots. Because of our unique geographical location and topography, we have many northern and southern species nesting here. Spring and fall bring swarms of migrant flocks. The seven local lakes are a stopover point for thousands of feeding, migrating waterfowl, while the forests are filled with migrant songbirds. Garrett County is indeed a birder's paradise and many of the state parks conduct birding programs. The state park information begins on page 21. To get the *Birds of Garrett County* brochure, please stop by the Garrett County Visitors Center.

BOATING - Motorized

Garrett County offers three beautiful lakes for motorboats and personal watercraft.

The Youghiogheny River Lake extends 16 miles and covers 2,840 acres. There is a marina on the lake at Somerfield South and it offers boat rentals. Each of the three campgrounds offers something different with facilities ranging from modern to primitive. There are eight launch

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areas with docks, restrooms, swimming areas and numerous other amenities. For more information, call 814-395-3242 or 814-395-3166 or visit www.lrp.usace.army.mil.

Jennings Randolph Lake extends five and a half miles upstream and has a surface area of 952 acres. It has two boat launches with floating docks, a fishing pier, scenic overlooks including the Waffle Rock site, trail system and campground with numerous amenities. For more information, call 304-355-2346 or visit www.nab.usace.army.mil.

Deep Creek Lake extends 12 miles and has a surface of 3,900 acres with 65 miles of shoreline and is designed for boat travel. Rent a beautiful lakefront home or other accommodation and boat to the grocery store, six restaurants, bait shops, hardware store, ice cream parlor, movie theatre, office supply, 13 hotels and 700 rental units, and a state park with playgrounds, pavilions and numerous activities. For more information, call 301-387-4111.

Nearly every type of boat from sailboat to personal watercraft (PWC) to speedster can be seen on Deep Creek Lake. Local marinas have boats available for rental. Prices vary according to the size of the boat. Sailing on the lake is exceptional with races held every weekend in the season. The Deep Creek Sailing School offers on-the-water sailing lessons. For more information, call 301-387-4497.

CAMPING

Garrett County is a camper's paradise. Whether you prefer tent, trailer or primitive camping, you'll find just what you are looking for. Charts that show privately owned campgrounds, as well as those in the state parks and forests, can be found on page 38. Some camping areas and parks permit pets (pick up a *Vacationing With Your Pet* brochure at the Garrett County Visitors Center) and will accept reservations. Trailer hookups are also available.

Primitive campers are invited to camp at designated areas of Potomac State Forest and Garrett State Forest, 301-334-4157, and Savage River State Forest, 301-895-5759.

Safe Boating

Statewide Boating Regulations for Non-Tidal Waters:

1. Boating accidents must be reported.
2. When water-skiing, two persons in the boat (an operator and an observer) must be at least 12 years old.
3. No water-skiing between sunset and sunrise.
4. It is unlawful to operate a boat in a reckless or negligent manner, or while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
5. One Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) must be carried for each person aboard and additional safety equipment may be required.
6. Children ages 7 and under must wear their Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs.)
7. A valid registration must be on board and correctly displayed.
8. Water-skiing is not permitted within 100 ft. of docks, shore, boats, or other people.
9. Navigation lights must be displayed between sunset and sunrise.
10. A Boating Safety Certificate is required for those born on or after July 1, 1972. Contact Garrett College, 301-387-3069 or 301-777-7771, for dates of certification classes.

Specific Regulations for Deep Creek Lake:

1. A vessel may not exceed 26 ft. in length, except pontoon boats, which may not exceed 30 ft..
2. Sirens are not permitted.
3. Houseboats are not permitted.
4. Engines may not exceed the manufacturer's recommended capacity, or total displacement of 550 cubic inches - whichever is less.
5. Parasailing is not permitted on the lake.
6. Vessels shall be muffled so as not to exceed state noise level limits.
7. No garbage, sewage or other waste materials may be discharged into the lake.
8. Aircraft are prohibited on the lake and buffer strip.
9. Personal Watercraft (PWC), a motorized vessel which can only carry the number of persons as specified by the manufacturer, may not be operated on the lake between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on: Sat., Sun. and Memorial Day weekend and Sat., Sun. and holidays from July 1 through Labor Day.

In addition to all other boating regulations, PWC must abide by a set of their own regulations, a few of which are:

1. Persons must be at least 16 years of age to operate a PWC.
2. All persons aboard a PWC must wear a Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD).
3. A person may not operate a PWC in a negligent manner; i.e., jumping the wake of other vessels within 100 ft. of vessel.
4. A person may not operate a PWC between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

Restricted Skiing Areas and Speed Zones:

1. On Deep Creek Lake, a person may not operate a vessel towing a skier, an aquaplane, or similar device within 100 ft. of any bridge.
2. Water-skiing is not permitted beyond the buoys in the upper end of North Glade Cove from 12 p.m. until sunset each Sat., Sun. and holidays.
3. A person may not operate a vessel at a speed in excess of three knots within 100 ft. of the shoreline anywhere on the lake, except that a person may tow a skier from a dock or shore and then immediately exit the restricted area.
4. A person may not operate a vessel in excess of three knots between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Sat., Sun. and holidays from the Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day in the area which lies between Beckman's Cove and North Glade Cove.
5. A person may not operate a vessel at a speed in excess of three knots at any time in the following areas: Meadow Mountain Run, east of the Meadow Mountain Bridge; McHenry Cove, north of the restriction buoys; upper end of Red Run Cove, southwest of the restriction buoys; Thayerville Cove, southwest of a line of buoys extending from the easternmost point of the Arrowhead peninsula; upper end of Hoop Pole Cove, southwest of the restriction buoys; and upper end of Pawn Run Cove, northwest of the restriction buoys.

To receive more information, locate the commercial boat docks or to get the *Travel by Boat* brochure, please stop by the Garrett County Visitors Center. For more information, contact the Deep Creek Lake Recreation Area Office, 898 State Park Road, Swanton, MD 21561 or call 301-387-4111. In an emergency on land or water, call the Department of Natural Resources Police Emergency, 800-628-9944, or use 301-387-4111 from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Rowboats, paddleboats and non-gasoline powered crafts are permitted on the lakes at Herrington Manor State Park, New Germany State Park, Savage River Reservoir and Broadford Park. Rentals are available from park personnel at Herrington Manor, New Germany and Broadford.

CANOEING

Spring and fall are the best seasons for canoeing in Garrett County. River levels are usually up from either snowmelt or rainfall, offering increased water levels for river and flat water paddling. The Youghiogheny, Casselman, Potomac and Savage Rivers offer a wide range of difficulty for the beginner to expert paddlers. In addition, scheduled dam releases from Deep Creek Lake provide up to Class V whitewater from April through October. Dam release schedules for the Yough can be obtained by calling 814-533-8911 or visiting www.garrettchamber.com. It is recommended to always know the difficulty of any river section you plan to paddle before your trip. Please check the ads on pages 37, 41, 42 & 44.

Garrett County offers seven flat-water lakes for paddling. The four smaller lakes that restrict motorized craft are in order of size starting with the largest: Savage River Reservoir, Broadford, Herrington Manor and New Germany Lakes. Deep Creek Lake, Youghiogheny Dam and Jennings Randolph Lake permit powerboats and all types of water sports. In the summer months, it is best to canoe in the early morning or evening hours. All seven of the lakes offer a great paddling adventure in the spring and fall.

CAVING

Garrett County is the home of Maryland's largest and longest cave. Experienced cavers are invited to explore with members of the local National Speleological Society grotto from Memorial Day to Labor Day if arrangements are made in advance. All cavers must have three sources of light, two of which are capable of being helmet-mounted. Take nothing but pictures, leave nothing but footprints, kill nothing but time. For more information, call 301-463-5881 or e-mail: smeyer@hereintown.net.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

With annual snowfalls up to 220 inches, Garrett County's state forests and parks provide many miles of cross-country ski trails. Due to its location and high elevation in the Appalachian Plateau Region, temperatures in Garrett County can drop below freezing as early as October. Ski enthusiasts begin to watch for accumulation in November and have been known to still be skiing at Easter. Late December through February are usually the best months for gliding on the snow, and the varied terrain offers a great ski experience for the beginner to the backcountry explorer. New Germany and Herrington Manor offer wide, well-marked and groomed trails.

Warming lodges at each park provide trail maps, snow conditions and weather information. These are also popular spots for lunch stops, warming up by the fire and meeting new people. More advanced skiers will find challenging trails in both parks. The natural terrain of the mountains provides hills for climbing, sliding and turning. The backcountry experience abounds in the state forests. Maps are available at state offices. For information on ski conditions visit www.ski-maryland.com. Cross-country ski rentals are available from Deep Creek

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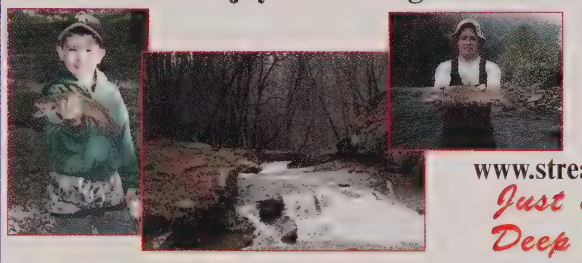
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Outfitters and High Mountain Sports. Please see their ads on pages 33 & 37. Rentals are also available at New Germany, 301-895-5453, or Herrington Manor State Parks, 301-334-9180.

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTERS

For family entertainment at Deep Creek Lake, Funland offers: the Climbing Wall, Water Wars, an arcade, go-carts, a carousel, bumper cars, miniature golf, pizza, ice cream, subs and more. The Fun Zone Family Entertainment Center offers; a restaurant, two go-cart tracks, bumper boats, miniature golf, Lazer Tag™, an arcade, batting cages and a free playground 'ship.' For more information, see their ads on pages 35 & 68.

FISHING

Fishing in Garrett County waters is one of the area's most exciting and rewarding sports. Garrett County holds eight of the Maryland State Records (see table).

The DNR offers 'Free Fishing Days' on June 7, 14, and July 4, 2003, meaning no fishing license is required in Maryland on these days.

Excellent fishing for brown, rainbow and brook trout is available in Garrett County streams. Special regulation areas on the Savage and Casselman Rivers, numerous stocked streams and a multitude of native brook trout streams provide anglers with a variety of quality trout fishing possibilities. For a list of stocked streams and applicable regulations, consult the *Maryland Sportfishing Guide*, which is available from sellers of fishing licenses.

The Garrett County Fishing Contest, sponsored by the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce and Johnny's Bait House, is held annually May 1 through September 30. Awards are given for the season's largest catches and weekly winners are also given an emblem and citation (see table for last year's winners). Fish must be registered at Johnny's Bait House located on Rt. 219 at Deep Creek Lake.

FLAT-WATER PADDLING

For flat-water paddlers there are many smaller lakes within a 25-mile radius of Deep Creek Lake which do not allow powerboats. Each one has its own special character and is a peaceful experience at any time of the year. The Savage Reservoir, easily accessed at the Dry Run Road 'put in,' has a wilderness feel due to its location within the Savage River State Forest. Views from the water are of steep mountains, and wildlife experiences are numerous. New Germany and Herrington Manor State Parks offer canoe rentals and other boats. Both lakes have easy access for launching your own canoe. Broadford Lake, near the town of Oakland, has 140 acres of shallow water and a boat launch inside Broadford Park. High Mountain Sports rents flat-water boats to be used on all area lakes; please see their ad on page 37.

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Angler's paradise.

Fish Stories

Maryland State Records – Garrett County

1. Walleye – 14 lbs. 4 oz., Jennings Randolph Lake
2. Bluegill – 3 lbs. 7 oz., Deep Creek Lake
3. Northern pike – 24 lbs. 12 oz., Deep Creek Lake
4. Yellow perch – 2 lbs. 6 oz., 6/8/83, Deep Creek Lake
5. Brook trout – 6 lbs. 1.75 oz., 4/10/99, North Branch of the Potomac
6. Brown trout – 18 lbs. 3 oz., 8/3/01, North Branch of the Potomac
7. Cutthroat trout – 7 lbs. 9 oz., 5/20/00, North Branch of the Potomac
8. Rainbow trout - 14 lbs. 3 oz, 10/21/87, Savage River Reservoir

Garrett County Fishing Contest –
End of Season 2002 – 42nd Annual Fishing Contest Winners:

Bluegill: 1 lb. 7 oz., 11 inches, caught by Melvin Oliver Jr., Canton, OH
Brown trout: 2 lb. 3 oz., 19 inches, caught by Terry Allen Rinker, Accident, MD
Chain pickerel: 3 lb. 2 oz., 28 inches, caught by Corbin Zang, Greensburg, PA
Crappie: 1 lb. 12 oz., 14 inches, caught by Roger Detrick, Friendsville, MD
Largemouth bass: 6 lb. 11 oz, 23 inches, caught by Harley Stemple, Oakland MD
Northern pike: 17 lb., 42 inches, caught by Kevin Zimmer, Metuchen, NJ
Rainbow trout: 3 lb. 9 oz., 21 inches, caught by Kyle Klotz, Oakland, MD
Smallmouth bass: 4 lb. 8 oz., 20 inches, caught by Ken Padgett, Pasadena, MD
Walleye: 8 lb., 29 inches, caught by John G. Tlumack III, Connellsville, PA
Yellow perch: 1 lb. 7oz., 15 inches caught by John Bennati, Jr., Charleroi, PA

FLY-FISHING

Garrett County has numerous and unique fly-fishing opportunities. All state record trout were caught in Garrett County: Brook trout – 6 lbs. 1.75 oz. in the North Branch of the Potomac; brown trout – 18 lbs. 3 oz., in North Branch of the Potomac; cutthroat trout – 7 lbs. 9 oz. in the North Branch of the Potomac and rainbow trout - 14 lbs. 3 oz in the Savage River Reservoir. Garrett County offers miles of pure, cold mountain rivers, streams and lakes and has become one of the premier fly-fishing destinations in the United States. The detailed *Fly-Fishing* brochure is available at the Garrett County Visitors Center, 301-387-4386 or visit www.flyfishmaryland.com. Garrett County is attractive for fly-fishing not only because of the miles of fishing opportunities, but also because of the diversity of fishing areas located in a small geographical space. There are also several unique trout management areas in Garrett County. See the list of proven flies for each river on the right. For the most current information and directions to all of Garrett County's fishing spots, call the DNR Regional Fisheries Office located on Kings Run Road, 301-334-8218 or visit www.dnr.state.md.us/fisheries/.

Access to the North Branch tail water is through the small town of Elk Garden, WV, located south of Kitzmiller, MD, and down into the river valley town of Barnum. It is recommended that you consult a map before setting out since Maryland and West Virginia have a reciprocal agreement on the North Branch - a valid license from either state is recognized from both sides of the river.

For the accomplished fly-fisherman, the Savage River's tail water's wild brown and brook trout offer the ultimate fly-fishing challenge. Special regulations on the river offer a year-round fishing opportunity.

The following represents some fly patterns which have a proven track record on the waters of Western Maryland. These recommendations are based on the combined experience of such venerable local anglers as Sull McCartney, Ken Pavol, Gary Yoder and professional area fishing guides.

Savage River trophy area: early season-April: blue quill (#16-18), Hendrickson's (#12) blue wing olive (#18) Midges (#20) fished down stream area often taken on the turn. May/June: Caddis (#14-18), blue wing olive (#18-20) Late June-Sulphurs (#20), Midges. Summer: Caddis (#14-18), Midges, terrestrials (ants, hoppers, and beetles) Nymphs: pheasant tails, bird's nest, various beadheads, hare's ear, small wooly buggers.

Youghiogheny: No-Kill Area. Same as Savage River but add big green drake by late May into early June. Caddis most important in late spring and summer hatch with caddis emerges (LaFontaine) very effective.

North Branch Potomac River: Blue wing olive beginning early and continuing into November. Caddis is important throughout summer. Large stone fly nymphs (perlids size 8 or 10) important in North Branch Delayed Harvest Area.

Casselman River: Caddis most effective dry. Wooly buggers, yarn flies (egg patterns) and beadheads are effective.

FREESTYLE BIKING

The Street & Skate Park at Wisp features 20,000 feet of ramps, high and low banks, multi-level fun box, street spine, curb box and multiple rails for skaters, boarders or bikers. Rentals are available; call 301-387-4911 or visit www.golfwisp.com. See their ad on page 52.

GENEALOGY

Research local ancestry at the Ruth Enlow Libraries, the Garrett Historical Society in Oakland and courthouse records.

GOLF

Garrett County features two public 18-hole championship golf courses. The Oakland Golf Club, open from April to October, offers a pro shop, as well as a Club House with a dining room and lounge. This course is 10 miles from Deep Creek Lake, approximately one mile from Oakland on the Oakland-Sang Run Road. The Annual Western Maryland Men's Amateur Golf Championships are held here each year in early August.

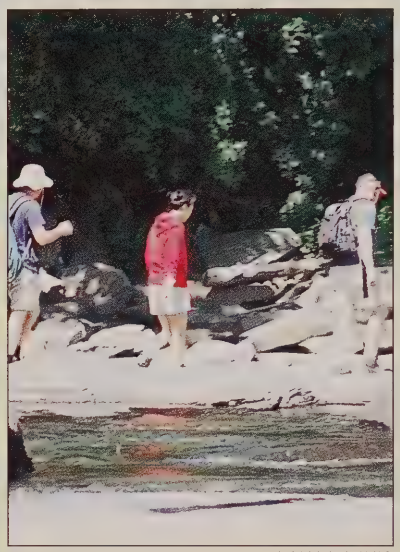
Play golf on one of the "100 Must Play Courses in the Mid-Atlantic" according to *Washington Golf Monthly*. Play a challenging round of golf at The Golf Club at Wisp's sprawling, 18-hole course with a combination of open holes and tree-lined fairways that share the mountain with skiers in the winter and golfers in the spring, summer and fall. Educational programs include private instruction, peewee golf lessons, junior clinics and day camps, and a women's golf clinic series. Tournaments are held regularly. Call 301-387-4911 for advance tee times and rates, or visit www.golfwisp.com. Both golf courses also feature rental equipment and lessons. See the display advertisements on pages 40 & 52.

HIKING

Garrett County has a hiking trail for outdoor enthusiasts of every age and hiking ability.

Whether you prefer a stroll along the waterfront to watch the sunset at Deep Creek Lake, enjoy a climb up the mountain for an aerial view of the Monroe Run Vista or seek the solitude of a more challenging trail deep inside the state forests and parks – the 156 miles of Garrett County hiking trails are for you.

In addition, every season has its own rewards. Spring brings high water in the streams and rivers making it the perfect time to visit Swallow Falls State Park. The highest free-falling waterfall in Maryland and two smaller falls are located there. Summer surrounds you with the greenery of ferns and leaves of the oaks and maples. Many of the mountain trails are covered with the blooms of millions of mountain laurel and rhododendron during June and July. In the fall, trails are sprinkled with colors of orange, yellow and red. In the winter, a conversion can be made to snowshoes and hiking takes on a whole new 'feel.' Maps are available at the local state parks and the Garrett County Visitor Center.



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HORSEBACK RIDING

One of the most relaxing ways to get away from it all and enjoy the area's spectacular scenery is on horseback. Happyat Hill Horsery offers supplies and apparel for your equine friends. Please see their ad on page 90. Small Oaks Riding Stables, near Oakland, and Western Trails Riding Stables, near Deep Creek Lake, offer year-round guided trail rides by the hour or half-hour with package rides available for both beginning and expert riders. Sleigh/hay rides and group rides are also available at Deep Creek Lake and Herrington Manor State Parks. See their ads on page 43.

HUNTING

The wings of a pheasant beat diagonally across the sky, you swing the gun in one smooth motion and fire! The pheasant drops to the ground – you know you have met the challenge. Wings of Challenge offers bird hunting with your dog or theirs or guided hunts for turkey or whitetail deer. Please see their ad on page 56. Garrett County has been recognized as an exceptional hunting destination for two centuries. Areas open to the public include Mt. Nebo Wildlife Management Area, Deep Creek Lake State Park, Garrett State Forest, Potomac State Forest and Savage River State Forest. These combine to make a total of over 80,000 acres of public hunting land maintained by the State. Because of the numerous amounts of turkeys, Garrett County offers two seasons. Jr. Turkey Day is April 12, 2003, and Spring Gobbler Season is April 18 to May 23, 2003. Fall turkey dates are Oct. 25 to Nov. 1, 2003. Last year's spring turkey harvest was 567 and the fall was 118. Small game heavily populates the woods of the area such as rabbits, grouse, ducks, Canada geese and squirrels. Hunters must purchase a valid hunting license from a Maryland DNR licensing agent. Local sporting goods stores provide licenses and supplies.

It is the licensee's responsibility to follow state hunting rules and regulations. Garrett County Whitetail dates were not available at the time of print but are available at www.dnr.state.md.us/huntersguide. Look up specific game under 'Seasons and Bag Limits' or call 301-777-2136. Deer hunting is extremely popular, with a harvest of 6,264; 3,190 were taken by firearm; 1,367 by bow and 1,707 by muzzleloader. People are encouraged to report a Natural Resource poaching violation by calling Catch-A-Poacher Hotline, 800-635-

6124. All other violations, land or water, should be reported to Natural Resources Police at 301-777-7771.

ICE FISHING

Increasingly, ice fishing has become a favorite winter pastime on Deep Creek Lake and Savage River Reservoir. The best months are January and February. Yellow perch and walleye provide most of the action, although other species such as northern pike, trout, pickerel, crappie and bass are frequently caught. Deep Creek Outfitters rents ice augers and equipment; please see their ad on page 33. A list of regulations for ice fishing can also be found in the *Sportfishing Guide*. You may pick up a brochure at the Garrett County Visitors Center. Please observe the following rules:

Safety First

1. No vehicle, except emergency vehicles, shall be permitted on the ice of Deep Creek Lake at any time.
2. No swimming or diving shall be permitted in any area of Deep Creek Lake where waters are covered by ice.
3. Fishermen should exercise caution at times when ice conditions are unsafe due to weather conditions or lake level fluctuations.

ICE CLIMBING

Ready for real adventure? Try ice climbing in mountainous Garrett County. There are sites in Savage River Forest, but Swallow Falls State Park is the most spectacular. Guided trips can be organized with the Adventuresports Institute, 301-387-3330 Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Arrangements must be made in advance.

INLINE SKATING

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KAYAKING

Join one of the fastest growing water sports in the U.S. New enthusiasts and veteran paddlers will find a wealth of paddling opportunities in Garrett County and the surrounding areas.

Double bladed paddles and sleek boat designs offer symmetry of motion that is more of a dance than an athletic endeavor. Dam release schedules for the Yough can be obtained by calling 814-533-8911 or at www.deepcreekhydro.com. Releases for the North Branch can be obtained at www.nab-wc.usace.army.mil\wc\index.html.

Touring – Paddling the quiet water of area lakes in a recreational touring kayak is a great way to interact with nature. Touring kayaks like to go straight and fast and allow you to enjoy your surroundings and companions. Mid-week summer mornings or spring and fall weekends on Deep Creek Lake offer opportunities for solitude and exploration in its many coves. Bring your own boat or rent one from a local outfitter. Herrington, Broadford and New Germany Lakes offer quieter areas, great for family outings, and their park offices have limited boats available. For the more adventurous the grand expanses of the Youghiogheny River, Jennings Randolph and Savage Reservoirs offer miles of paddling.

Whitewater – Garrett County is a hub for whitewater kayak enthusiasts. Over 30 whitewater runs ranging from beginner (Class II) to expert (Class V) can be found within an hour of Deep Creek Lake. For the enthusiast, spring is the season. April showers bring whitewater to the mountains. The Potomac, Youghiogheny, Cheat and Savage Rivers all flow from the heart of Garrett. Summer is also a good time to paddle as local dam projects provide reliable water releases throughout the year. For those starting out, several area outfitters offer kayak instruction or inflatable kayak trips on local rivers. Please see their ads on pages 37, 41, 42 & 44.

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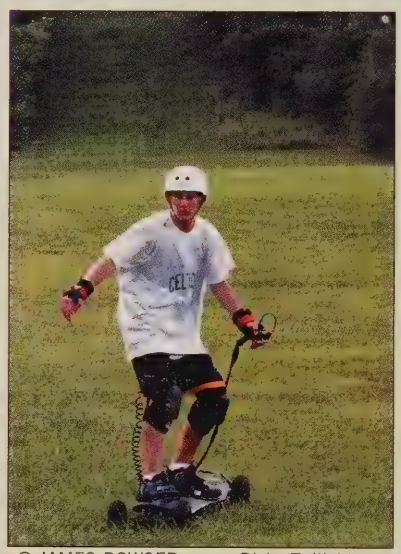
MINIATURE GOLF

Miniature golf is perfect for family fun and for the young at heart. There are two miniature golf courses open seasonally at Deep Creek Lake, Funland and Smiley's FunZone's Frontier Adventure Golf. For more information, see their ads on pages 35 & 68.

MOUNTAIN BOARDING

Mountain boarding at Wisp is fast becoming one of the most popular summer adventure sports. It's a combination of snowboarding and skateboarding. Take a ride on the chair lift with your mountain board and ride down one of the many challenging slopes. Instructions and rentals are available. Call 301-387-4911 or visit www.skiwisp.com.



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MOUNTAIN BIKING

Garrett County offers 90 miles of state trails with panoramic vistas folded among beautiful mountain scenery. This pristine mountain setting offers a perfect opportunity for a cyclist's dream getaway. The average elevation is 2,300 feet with the highest point reaching 3,360 feet. Due to the wide-open spaces of this vast area, rides can vary in length and difficulty.

Around Deep Creek Lake, riders can find gently rolling routes with a few short climbs and rewarding views of the lake and mountains. The five and a half mile trail between Herrington Manor State Park and Swallow Falls State Park is the most popular in the county following the white-glazed, cross-country ski trail. Families with children might look to the graveled path along Deep Creek Lake State Park from the boat ramp or the Yough Glades paved trail in the town of Oakland. For those looking for more of a challenge, the surrounding mountains offer opportunities for big ascents and the payback of long downhill glides. Each season provides a dramatic change in scenery from farmers plowing and planting in the spring, to fields of rolled hay and stacked dried corn shucks in shades of gold, orange and brown in the autumn.

The Garrett Association of Mountain Bike Operators (GAMBO) has been creating and maintaining an eight-mile, single track loop at the Margraff Plantation in the Savage River State Forest, which is just plain awesome! Destination riding can be extremely rewarding as well. Once you get here you can park your car and do all sightseeing by bike. Adventurous cyclists can discover the highest free-falling waterfall in Maryland, explore a sub-arctic swamp, or view a virgin hemlock forest.

Mountain biking is popular at Wisp at Deep Creek Mountain Resort with cross-country trails. Ride the extremely challenging downhill terrain or the man-made obstacles of the dual-slalom/BMX course – there are terrains for all levels of bikers. You may bring your own or rent one at Wisp. Take a ride on the chair lift with your bike and enjoy true mountain biking. Instruction is also available. Call 301-387-4911 or visit www.golfwisp.com. High Mountain Sports on Deep Creek Lake offers guided mountain bike tours, maps, and mountain bike rentals. Please see their ad on page 37.

NIGHTLIFE

Party in Garrett County with live music and DJs. For a current entertainment schedule, pick up the *LakeFront Magazine* at area businesses or the Garrett County Visitors Center or visit www.deepcreektimes.com or www.deepcreekmagazine.com.

PICNICKING

On a mountaintop or under a sprawling maple tree or by a fast moving brook, or in quiet seclusion - picnic opportunities are numerous in Garrett County. All state parks and recreation areas have picnic areas. Several state roadside park locations are to be found in the area: Rt. 40, three miles west of Grantsville; Rt. 219, two miles south of Keysers Ridge overlooking the Cove, and a little over three miles north of Oakland on Rt. 219. Maryland's State Forests and Parks are now "Trash Free." Trashcans have been removed from the day use areas to improve the appearance of the park and to ensure a more enjoyable experience for you. Free trash bags are distributed and visitors are asked to take their trash with them and encouraged to recycle.

PERSONAL WATERCRAFT

The cool wind in your face, a big wave and you are airborne! Personal watercraft is welcome in Garrett County. Bring your own personal watercraft to ride one of Garrett County's three beautiful lakes: Deep Creek, Jennings Randolph or Youghiogheny River Lake. There are some riding restrictions for Deep Creek Lake; please see the boating section. You may also rent personal watercraft on Deep Creek Lake from the Aquatic Center (see their ad on page 44). Add some excitement to your visit with some wet fun!

RAPPELLING

Before you lies a view that simply takes your breath away. Dark green forested mountains, a furious whitewater stream and a beautiful clear blue sky. You stand on a jagged outcrop and ready yourself for the descent. Guided trips can be organized with the Adventuresports Institute, 301-387-3330, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Arrangements must be made in advance.

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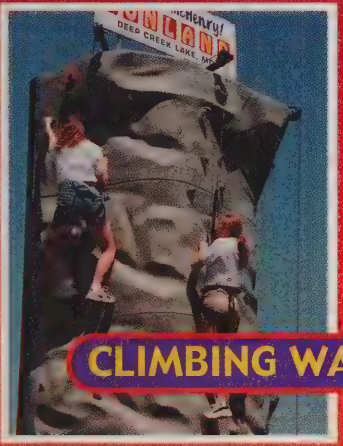

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ROCK CLIMBING

The rocky, mountainous nature of Garrett County offers climbers an exhilarating experience. Nearby Cooper's Rock and Seneca Rocks offer beginning through advanced climbing opportunities. Bring your own equipment or make prior arrangements for a guide with the Adventuresports Institute at 301-387-3330 M-F, 9 am to 4 pm.

SAILING

Looking for serenity? Sail Deep Creek Lake. Good winds, pleasant weather and great scenery at every tack. Sailing is not a new sport in this area. It first began in the 1930's with Flying Scot Sailboats which are manufactured and sold right here in Deer Park. There are well over 5300 Flying Scots in existence with #1 still sailing! Appointments are available. Call 301-334-4848 or visit www.flyingscot.com.

The Deep Creek Yacht Racing Association's (DCYRA) sailboat races are held every weekend from Memorial Day to Labor Day. The races are laid out over various courses along the southern end of the lake below the Glendale Bridge for Flying Scots and Lasers. Saturday offers races with starts beginning at noon and at 2:30 pm. Sunday races feature four starts beginning at 1 p.m. The DCYRA will hold the Sandy Douglass Regatta on August 2-3, 2003.

Women's and Laser Regattas will be held August 9-10, 2003. For details please visit www.saildeepcreek.com or call 301-387-4159 during the summer season. The Deep Creek Sailing School offers on-the-water sailing lessons. Visit the above website or call 301-387-4497. Regretfully, you cannot currently rent a sailboat, but please bring your own and enjoy beautiful Deep Creek Lake.

SCENIC ADVENTURES

Wisp offers scenic chair lift rides where the views of Deep Creek Lake and the surrounding mountains are awesome. It's the perfect place to relax and enjoy a picnic lunch. You can return to base on the chair lift or take an exhilarating hike down the slopes. Pick up a mountain board or mountain bike and take the scenic chair lift ride up and a fast and furious ride down on the grassy slopes! Instructions and rentals are available. Call 301-387-4911 or visit www.golfwisp.com.

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SCUBA DIVING

Deep Creek Lake covered a lot of history when it began to fill 77 years ago! Scuba divers can explore foundations of farmhouses, an Indian hunting camp that lies quietly near Glendale Bridge and much more. Imagine natural springs bubbling from the bottom as you move weightlessly through them. Jennings Randolph and Youghiogheny River Lakes offer good visibility and varying temperatures. This is altitude diving at its finest. Garrett County invites you to discover and explore its underwater world. Currently, there is not a dive shop in Garrett County so be sure to bring your air.

SLEDDING & TUBING

The Bear Claw Tubing Park has become so popular that Wisp has added two more lanes for a total of eight that are 800 ft. long. Two surface lifts will pull snow tubes and riders up the hill. Snow tubing is the perfect family activity and is fun for all ages. The tubing park is open seven days a week throughout the winter season and is available for private parties and group sessions. The regularly scheduled two-hour sessions may be purchased in advance. Session times do vary, so call Wisp, 301- 387-4911, or visit www.skiwisp.com for times and advance ticket sales information.

You pull your sled to the top of a quarter mile run of packed powder. You leap on the sled and plummet over the rim, flying down the long straight run. Swish, swoosh and you glide to a quiet finish. Sledding is everywhere. If you forgot your sled, stop at Herrington Manor State Park, 301-334-9180, and rent one for $3 for a half day or $6 for a full day. They also have several runs to ride on.

SNOW BIKING

It's just what it says – a bike on skis! Wisp has snow bikes to rent with lessons available. Visit www.skiwisp.com or see their ad on page 52.

SNOWBOARDING

Snowboarding is reaching new heights in snow sports. Wisp offers lessons, clinics and rentals in addition to extreme snowboarding fun in Devil's Arena Terrain Park and their new Super Pipe. New for the 2003 season – The Wisp Super Pipe, one of the largest half-pipes in the East, is a mountain monster with intimidating vertical walls looming over a soaring transition from wall to wall. Its overall length is a mind-boggling 400 feet carved out of snow with a state-of-the-art Piston Bully Super Magician. A series

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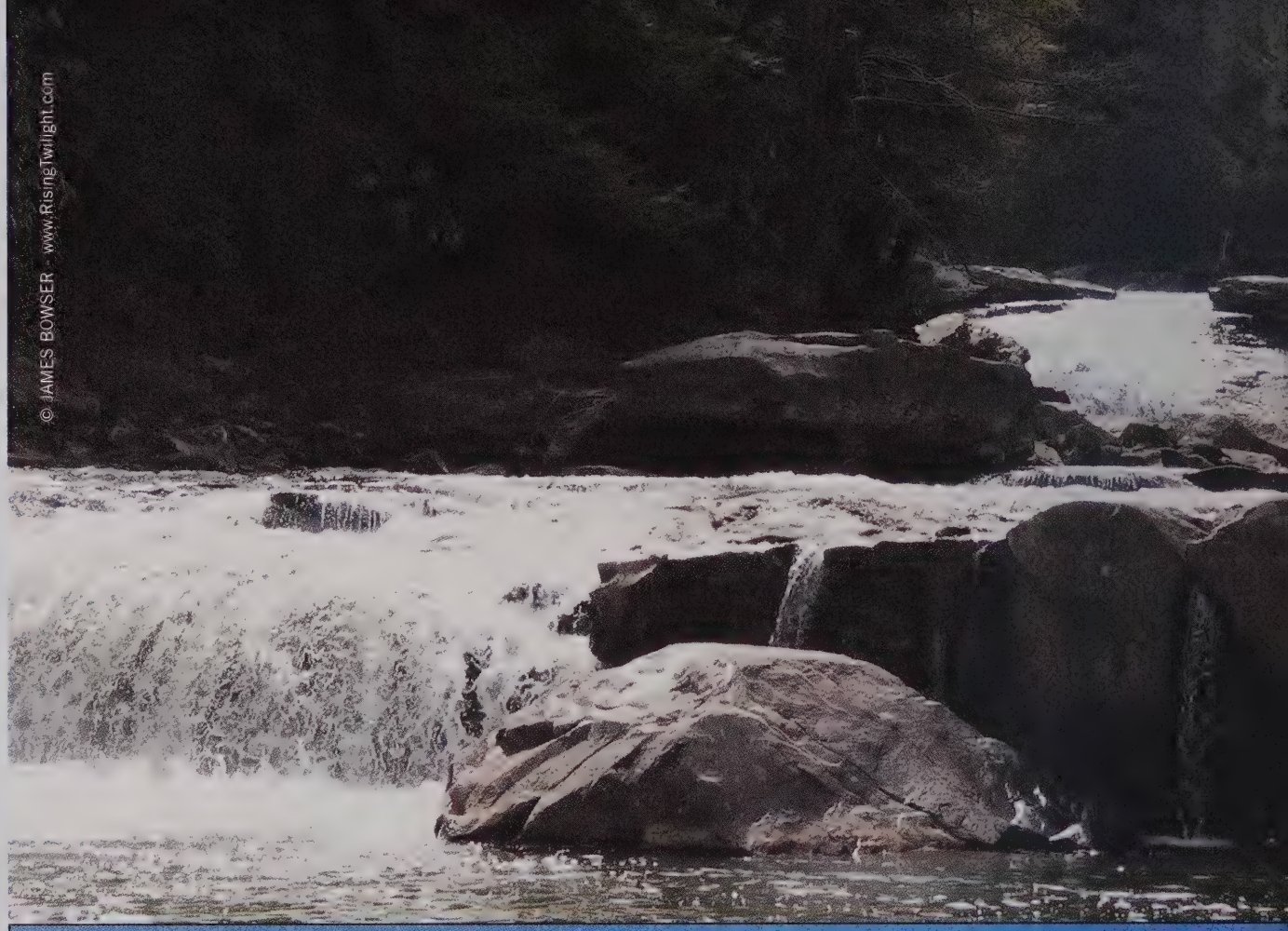

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Youghiogheny Wild & Scenic River 898 State Park Rd., Swanton, MD 21561 301-387-5563																						

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	Rentals	Sail Boats	A	
		Canoes	A	A
		Paddle Boats	A	A
		Row Boats	A	X
		Boat Slips	A	
CAMPING		Improved	110	90
		Unimproved	0	20
		Drinking Water	X	X
		Reservation	X	X
		Bathhouse	X	X
		Play Area/Ground	X	X
		Dumping Station	X	X
		Fireplaces	X	X
		Tables	X	X
CONCESSIONS		Food & Drink	X	A
		Vending	X	A
		Camp Store	X	A
		LP Gas	X	A
TRAILS		Hiking	X	X
		Horseback	A	X
		Nature	X	X
GENERAL		Picnicking	X	X
		Shelters	X	X
		Swimming	A	X
		Fishing	A	X
ATTRACTIONS		Scenic	X	X
		Water	A	X

State Parks

INTERPRETIVE				TRAILS					GENERAL						ATTRACTIONS			
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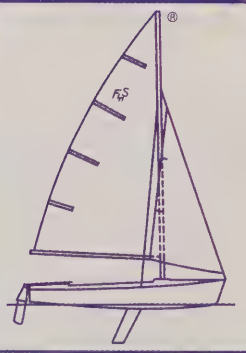

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SNOWMOBILING

This exciting sport offers thrills for both young and old. Snowmobiling is permitted in the state forests on marked trails. Maps of existing snowmobile trails and general information are available from the state forest offices or the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce office.

Snowmobiling is permitted on private lands only with written permission from the landowner. You may not ride a snowmobile on or adjacent to public highways except to cross at a 90-degree angle. You may not cross a limited access highway and snowmobile permits are required to utilize trails in any Maryland State Park. Usage is permitted between December 15 and March 15. Permits are $15 for the four-month period and are only available at some state park offices. Additional information regarding snowmobiling laws may be obtained from the Maryland State Police, 301-387-1101.

SNOWSHOEING

A fresh blanket of white snow makes you bundle up and leave the warmth of your fire to witness a white and silent winter wonderland. Snowshoeing is hiking of the snow variety. You can rent snowshoes at Herrington Manor for $11 for a half day or $13 for a full day and at Deep Creek Lake State Park for $7 for two hours or $13 for the day, or purchase them at High Mountain Sports. It's the perfect way to get back to the quiet serenity of the white covered woodlands. There are 156 miles of established hiking trails on Garrett County public lands just waiting to take you to a peaceful winter calm.

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SWIMMING

Thick, forested mountains rising out of clear, crisp water – a long stroke and a bubbling kick – a remarkable experience. Although the seven lakes offer a variety of water sports, swimming is the most common. There are sandy, life-guarded beaches at Deep Creek Lake, Herrington Manor, and New Germany State Parks, Broadford Lake Park, Jennings Randolph and the Youghiogheny Lake. All have picnicking facilities and bathhouses, and many offer boat rentals. Details are in the park descriptions on page 22. If you prefer an indoor setting, there are three heated indoor swimming pools in the area. Information is available at the Garrett County Visitors Center or call 301-387-4386.

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TENNIS

The ever-popular sport of tennis offers fun and challenge, and there are several courts throughout the county open to the public. The Western Maryland Tennis Championships, the oldest tennis event in Maryland, is held the first weekend of August at the Mt. Lake Park Tennis Club on clay courts. Call 301-334-4641 for more information.

Grantsville Town Park is located at Exit 19 off Interstate 68. Four asphalt courts are open during daylight hours; no fee.

Mountain Lake Park Tennis Club is located off Rt. 135 in Mt. Lake Park. Four clay courts are open during daylight hours; fee.

Northern Middle School is located behind Northern High School off Rt. 219 near Accident. Two courts are available during daylight hours, when school is not in session; no fee.

Southern Middle School is located off Broadford Road, Oakland. Courts are available during daylight hours, when school is not in session; no fee.

Wisp Resort is located on Marsh Hill Road, McHenry. Two new tennis courts are open, 9 a.m. - 10 p.m., to the public for a fee. Call 301-387-5581 for information.

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THEATERS

Garrett 8 Cinemas is showing today's movies with tomorrow's technology. Located on Rt. 219 near Glendale Road, Garrett 8 is one of only a handful of theaters in the nation to have a massive screen in the lobby running continuous movie previews. The eight theaters vary in size and focus on the comfort of the viewer with such details as love seats, wider spaces between rows and aids for the hearing challenged. Four of the cinemas feature digital surround sound for a more intense viewing experience. For movie schedule information, call 301-387-2500.

WAKEBOARDING

Wakeboarding is going huge in Garrett County! Local riders are rippin.' The Bust Largness' Wakeboard Contest is a spectacular event that attracts competitors from several states. Visit the local marinas for boat rentals and retailers for all your water sports gear. Remember, all ski boats must have an observer over the age of 12 and you must keep your boat and skier at least 100 feet from shore, docks and other boats. Equipment and lessons are available at the Greg Rouse Ski School at High Mountain Sports. Please see their ad on page 37.

WATER SKIING

HIT IT! It's a phrase that pumps adrenaline through the veins of both beginners and expert water skiers. Water skiing is often a chilling experience in Garrett County on Deep Creek, Jennings Randolph or Youghiogheny River Lakes. Wetsuits, which are available at several retail shops, can make your skiing more enjoyable and extend your ski season by several months.

Ski boats, equipment and instruction are all available on Deep Creek Lake from marinas and local outfitters. Instruction, provided by the Greg Rouse Ski School at High Mountain Sports, 301-387-4199, can speed your water skiing/wakeboarding learning curve immensely. The Deep Creek Water Sports Club has several slalom courses available and conducts

clinics and competitions in the area. Remember, all ski boats must have an observer, over the age of 12 and you must keep your boat and skier at least 100 feet from shore, docks and other boats. Check out their ad on page 37. Ski you later!

WHITEWATER RAFTING

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The Youghiogheny Wild and Scenic River, or the "Upper Yough," is one of the most challenging and exciting whitewater rivers in the eastern United States with approximately 20 Class IV and V rapids. It provides experienced paddlers a rewarding whitewater adventure. Outfitters run thousands of whitewater enthusiasts down the steep narrow gorge each year. Dam release schedules for the Yough can be obtained by calling 814-533-8911 or visiting www.deepcreekhydro.com. North Branch water releases can be obtained at 304-355-2346 or by visiting www.nabwc.usace.army.mil/wc/index.html.

For questions concerning regulations and water releases on the Youghiogheny River, call the Youghiogheny River Management, 301-387-4111. Recently, commercial outfitters have designated several of our county Class I, II, and III rivers as family style paddling experiences. For information on commercial outfitters, see the display advertisements on pages 41, 42 & 44.

WINDSURFING

The best time for catching a stiff breeze tends to be in spring or fall. Summer winds are usually light and perfect for the novice windsurfer. When the wind blows heavily it is usually gusty because of the surrounding mountains. Four of the seven lakes permit windsurfing - Deep Creek, Jennings Randolph, Savage River and Youghiogheny River Lakes. The best wind on Deep Creek Lake is directly in front of the boat launch ramp at Deep Creek Lake State Park. Sailboard rentals are currently not available. Come prepared to enjoy the lakes in our mountainous county. ▲

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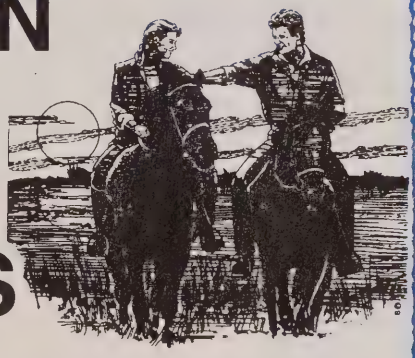

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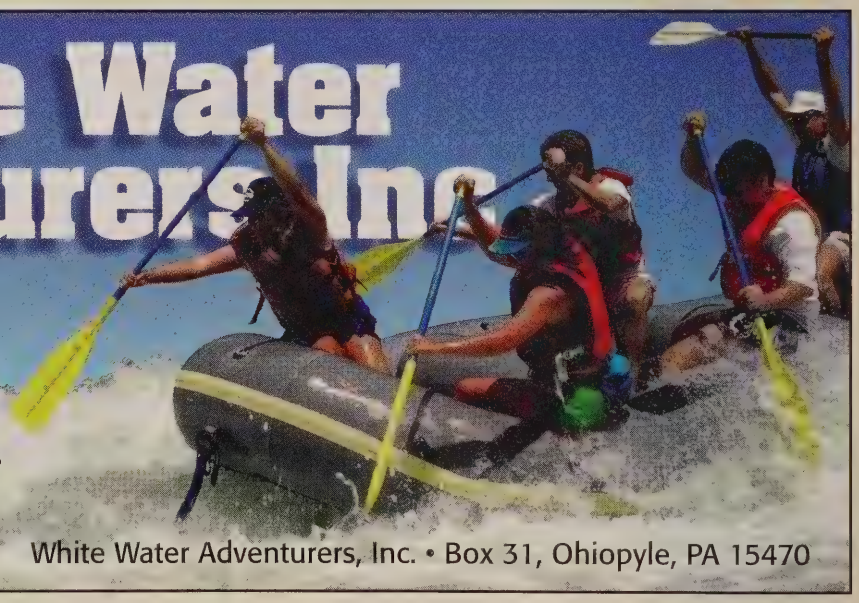

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Our Heritage of Hospitality

Heavy snow and mountainous terrain kept western Maryland's population sparse during the 18th century, but that all changed with the introduction of the National Road. This first federally funded road followed General Braddock's route west across what is now northern Garrett County. The highway carried tradesmen, travelers and settlers northwest to Pittsburgh and beyond. Taverns and inns were built in Little Crossings and Grantsville to serve the travel-weary, who endured hours of rough carriage or coach rides. In

response to an increase in 'traffic,' businesses such as accommodations for drovers and stables for their livestock popped up along the National Road.

Some of these early inns still stand in Grantsville today – as testimony to the region's heritage of hospitality. The Casselman Inn and Penn Alps Restaurant are just two of many historic sites along the old National Road. Another is the Casselman River Bridge, built in 1813 to speed travelers on their way. Historic pictorial markers, in the town park and in front of the Casselman Inn, outline the impact of travel on the local economy and the development of the accommodations and tourism industry.

The 19th century saw the coming of the Iron Horse to Garrett County. The railroad tied the eastern cities to Garrett County and the secret was out - the blistering summer heat of Baltimore and Washington could be escaped by a train ride to western Maryland. By 1884, the gracious Queen Anne-style Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Station welcomed many rich and famous people. Presidents, railroad magnates, and other captains of industry all sought refuge from the tedium of summer in the city and enjoyed the luxury hotels and summer cottages that were built in response to the overwhelming demand in the Oakland, Mountain Lake Park, and Deer Park areas.

Today, the Deer Park Inn, a relic of those railroad glory days, still welcomes guests to dine, to stay in its well-appointed rooms and to bathe in the now-famous Deer Park waters. Through volunteer efforts and donations the B&O railroad station has been restored to its former grandeur, and all are welcome to visit and learn about its role in history.

Current residents of vintage summer cottages in Mountain Lake Park work hard to preserve the craftsmanship of the Victorian architecture, which can be seen on self-guided walking or driving tours.

The 'Vagabonds'

COURTESY OF GARRETT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The arrival of the automobile brought even more visitors, and they were again traveling the same route as the early stagecoaches. Over time, the National Road became Rt. 40, which in turn became Rt. 48, which was upgraded to Interstate 68 in the 1990s.

Among the early automobile tourists to Garrett County were the 'Vagabonds' – the world-famous quartet of Henry Ford, Harvey Firestone, John Burroughs and Thomas Edison. The foursome enjoyed long camping vacations in remote areas including Muddy Creek Falls.

During one particular visit, the group decided to visit the Cranesville Swamp. The road they traveled, used mostly by logging trucks, had some very deep ruts, and Thomas Edison's big Packard eventually became stuck in the mud.

Luckily for the foursome, Mr. Ringer, the owner of a local general store in Cranesville, came to the rescue by pulling the Packard out of the mud with his Ford. Not knowing the men he helped, Ringer's parting shot to Thomas Edison was "Buddy, you ought to get yourself a Ford."

Two weeks later, the Ford dealer in Terra Alta, West Virginia, notified Mr. Ringer that they had a new car for him. It was then that a shocked Mr. Ringer learned that Henry Ford had sent him a new Ford.

To learn more about the history and heritage of the Deep Creek Lake Area, visit the Garrett County Historical Society Museum in Oakland.

Information provided by Connie Skipper, Herrington Manor State Park and John Grant, local historian.

ATTRACTIONS – Most Visited

Deep Creek Lake

Deep Creek Lake forms the centerpiece of Maryland's four-season vacation resort. The 65-mile shoreline winds along the wide-open lake surface and into secluded coves. Early summer morning mists part to reveal solitary bass fishing boats. Afternoon sunshine reflects off sporting crafts cutting through the cool waters while silent sailboats glide through quiet coves. Visitors can stay in a lakefront accommodation and boat to many resort amenities. Winter's chill brings another brand of fishing devotee to Deep Creek Lake for the 'hard water' fishing experience and the chance to pull a perch from a hole bored through the ice. Autumn's glory can be most fully appreciated during a leisurely pontoon excursion on Deep Creek Lake, where surrounding mountains provide a spectacle of color against the clear mountain skies. In every season Deep Creek Lake lets you renew your spirits where mountain, sky, and water meet.

Garrett County Visitors Center

An information epicenter, the Garrett County Visitors Center assists visitors in accessing local attractions, accommodations, restaurants and recreation. Located near Deep Creek Lake along Rt. 219, the Visitors Center is operated by the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce. For information on visiting the Deep Creek Lake Area in any season, call 301-387-4FUN or visit www.garrettchamber.com.

Deep Creek Lake Discovery Center

The Deep Creek Discovery Center, overlooking the lake in Deep Creek Lake State Park, offers people of all ages a glimpse into the history, culture and wildlife of Western Maryland. Here you can feel the outline of fossils from the Allegheny Mountains, observe fish swimming in a lake habitat aquarium or place your hand in a black bear paw print. These interactive exhibits make the Discovery Center an entertaining and educational experience for visitors year-round. For more information about the center and its programs, call 301-387-7067.

The Cove Overlook

Heading south on Rt. 219 toward the town of Accident is a spot where you can experience a view to remember. The Cove Overlook, at an elevation of 2,800 feet, provides a panorama of the scenic farmlands below, stretching south along the valley and westward to the mountain crest. This awesome landscape has been photographed and captured on canvases in all seasons.

Muddy Creek Falls

Located in Swallow Falls State Park, Muddy Creek Falls is a powerful 53-foot cataract, the highest waterfall in Maryland. The surrounding stands of virgin hemlocks and dense rhododendron produce a noticeably cool temperature and a quiet that contrasts to the water's roar. Though no longer permitted, camping was once acceptable adjacent to Muddy Creek Falls. It was here that the self-styled 'Vagabonds,' Henry Ford, Harvey Firestone, John Burroughs and Thomas Edison, rolled out their sleeping cots to camp in 1918 and again in 1921.

HERITAGE

The Garrett County Historical Society Museum

A repository of local artifacts and treasures, the Garrett County Historical Society Museum offers a glimpse into the daily lives of the early settlers and more recent residents of this mountainous area. The museum library boasts numerous local genealogical records and other historic documentation. Located along Second Street in Oakland, the museum is open to the public. Call 301-334-3226 for hours of operation.

Oakland Train Station

The Oakland Train Station, now on the National Register, is among the nation's most distinguished, historic depots. This fully renovated 1884 Queen Anne-style station is also one of the oldest in the country. Built to serve

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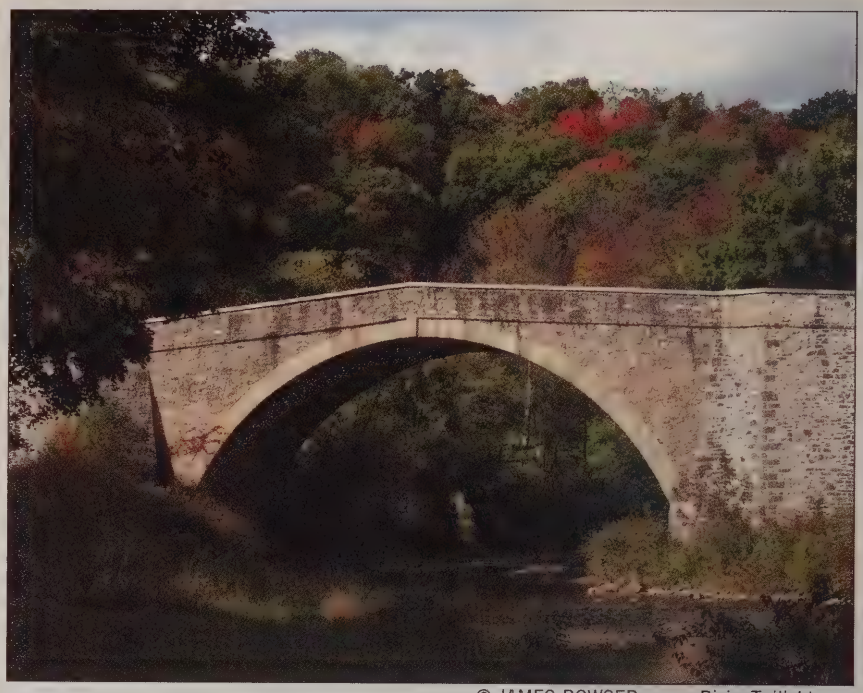
the B&O Railroad resort clientele, the station welcomed vacationing presidents, captains of industry and other preeminent citizens. The station is open to the public and group tours are available. Current hours are available at the Garrett County Visitors Center.

The National Road

As the first federally funded route in 1811, the National Road cut across northern Garrett County, indelibly marking the area now known as Grantsville. Inns, taverns and coach stops sprang up along the roadway (Alt. Rt. 40), providing hospitality to the early 19th century traveler. The economic and cultural impact of this road is recounted on markers placed before the historic Casselman Inn and at the entrance to the community park. In 2002, the National Road reached national status and was designated as an "All American Road."



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Casselman River Bridge

Penn Alps

Housed in a log inn that had served the travelers on the National Road over a century ago, local educator and humanitarian Dr. Alta Schrock founded Penn Alps to assist local artisans in selling their work. A landmark in Grantsville, Penn Alps also serves as a cultural center to showcase the area's arts & crafts and music, and to preserve its history and spiritual values. The Penn Alps Restaurant dishes up traditional country cuisine.

Casselman River Bridge

To expedite travel by coach or wagon along the National Road, the Casselman River Bridge was built near Grantsville in 1813. Now surrounded by parkland and an artisans' village with a restaurant and cultural area, this bridge was the largest single-span stone arch bridge at the time of its construction – earning it a listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Friend Family Association's National Museum

The oldest of Garrett County's towns, Friendsville was settled along the Youghiogheny River on land purchased from Native Americans by John Friend in 1765. The history of the founding family and its multitude of branches is chronicled in documents and photographs at the Friend Family Association's National Museum, located along Maple Street in Friendsville. Stop in to experience history from a family perspective.

The Drane House

Reputed to be the oldest residence in Garrett County, the Drane House was constructed prior to 1800. This log home belonged to James and Priscilla Drane and their children. The two-story structure was painstakingly restored and is open to the public for tours by appointment and for special events. For more information, call town hall at 301-746-6346.

Visit A Farm

Members of the farming community have formed the Farms, Barns, & Rural Heritage project. Through this effort, a brochure was produced which identifies the area's farms that are open to the public for tours. They represent a broad range of farming practices. Please respect the stated tour hours – these are all working farms. Pick up a brochure at the Visitors Center.

Fairfax Stone

From humble beginnings springs the exuberant Potomac River, and the Fairfax Stone marks the spot where it begins. In addition to marking the headwaters of the Potomac River, the Fairfax Stone played a prominent part in determining the boundary line of West Virginia. To visit the area, cross the few miles into West Virginia on Rt. 219 and turn left at the Fairfax Stone park sign.

Maple Syrup

The art of sugaring is still practiced, basically unchanged, on farms in the Garrett County Deep Creek Lake Area. A maple must be 40 years old before it can be tapped to access the 'water' which is collected for processing. Once collected, the sweet sap is boiled in huge containers until it becomes a thick, rich, golden syrup. Local maple products are available at stores throughout the area. The sugaring season runs from early February through early April. Visitors may tour Steyer Brothers Maple Syrup farm during sugaring time. Please call 301-334-2900 for an appointment.

Ruth Enlow Library

The Ruth Enlow Library of Garrett

County is an excellent resource for visitors, as well as residents. Its shelves are well stocked with local historical information and genealogies plus microfilmed issues of *The Republican* newspaper dating to 1877. The main library is in Oakland, with branches in Grantsville and Accident, and community libraries in Friendsville and Kitzmiller. For more information, call 301-334-3996.

Antiques & Local Products

Without the commercialism of strip malls or shopping centers, Garrett County's small personal stores make shopping a friendly and inviting experience. There are specialty shops offering unique, collectible items crafted by local artisans; holiday shops that entice visitors with seasonal wares; and antique shops that showcase pieces from days long ago that are rich in history as well as function. Local products will make thoughtful gifts for family and friends.

Simon Pearce Glassware

Visitors can watch the intricate art of glassblowing at the Simon Pearce Glassware facility in Mt. Lake Park. Valued for its finely crafted elegance, Simon Pearce glass is known for its fluid form and grace. Products are available in a shop onsite. For more information, call 301-334-5277.

Spruce Forest Artisan Village

Visitors to Spruce Forest Artisan Village are invited to watch highly skilled craftsmen produce traditional Allegheny Mountain wares in their 19th century log and plank studios. Located on the banks of the Casselman River along the historic National Road in Grantsville, Spruce Forest Artisan Village offers a unique shopping experience. For more information, call 301-895-3332.

The Gallery

Located in historic downtown Oakland, The Gallery features fine arts and quality crafts by local and regional artists. The items displayed are available

to purchase as well as to admire. Sponsored by the Garrett County Arts Council, The Gallery is open five days a week. Call 301-334-6580 for hours.

NATURAL ATTRACTIONS

Hoye Crest of Backbone Mountain

Hoye Crest of Backbone Mountain boasts the highest point in Maryland with an elevation of 3,360 feet. This point, a favorite destination for hikers, was named after Captain Charles Edward Hoye, a renowned historian who preserved the area's history and founded the Garrett County Historical Society. Situated close to the state line, the easiest access to Hoye Crest is from West Virginia's Monongahela National Forest. Once you make it to the crest, don't forget to pick up a certificate, located near the Hoye Crest marker sign, confirming that you made it to the highest point in Maryland. These certificates are provided by the Friends of Backbone program, which was initiated by Lillian and Gene Elliott.

Backbone Mountain, part of the Allegheny range, starts near Savage River and extends into West Virginia. It marks the Eastern Continental Divide, the point at which lands to the east drain into the Atlantic Ocean by means of the Potomac River, while those to the west drain into the Gulf of Mexico via the Youghiogheny River. To obtain maps and more information about Hoye Crest and Backbone Mountain, stop at the Garrett County Visitors Center, or call 301-387-4FUN or e-mail info@garrettchamber.com.

The Cranesville Subartic Swamp

The Cranesville Subartic Swamp was one of the first National Natural Landmarks designated by the National Park Service. It has been described as "a small piece of forest and bog that remained behind after the Ice Age." Formed nearly 15,000 years ago, Cranesville Swamp is home to species of plants and animals usually found in northern areas of the United States and Canada. It is also the southernmost point where larch forests are found. A boardwalk crosses the 850-acre swamp and six trails wind through different sections.

JULIE FRAZEE - Accent Photography

Beautiful Swallow Falls

Bear Creek Fish Rearing Station

The Fisheries Service of the Department of Natural Resources manages the Bear Creek Hatchery and Fish Rearing Station, located north of Accident. Here along the banks of Bear Creek, visitors may view the process of raising fish from tiny fingerlings to prize-size catches. For information on tour hours, call 301-746-8148.

The Towns of Garrett County

It is estimated that 76.1 percent of Garrett County's residents live outside town limits. Garrett is the most rural county in Maryland and is sought after for this reason. There are 567 farm businesses in the county. Most of these farms are family-owned, handed down from generation to generation and in all likelihood will remain so.

ACCIDENT – FLOWERY VALE

Population: 350, 1 percent of total
Elevation: 2,415

Situated in a scenic farming valley dating back to the late 1700's, Accident is located on Rt. 219 about five miles north of Deep Creek Lake. The oldest known structure and a key to Accident's past is the Drane House, which was built in 1797.

DEER PARK

Population: 525, 1.9 percent of total
Elevation: 2,441

It is the home of two world famous companies – Deer Park Spring Water and the Flying Scot Sailboat Company. Several U.S. presidents have also traveled to Deer Park via the B&O Railroad and stayed at the beautiful Deer Park Hotel.

FRIENDSVILLE

Population: 600, 1.7 percent of total
Elevation: 1,549

The site of the first settlement (Selbysport is the oldest town) in Garrett County, Friendsville was named for John Friend, Sr., who came to the area in 1765 and bought the land from the Indians. Friendsville, along the Youghiogheny River, is now most noted for its adventure sports arena, which includes excellent whitewater and hiking opportunities.

GRANTSVILLE

Population: 619, 1.9 percent of total
Elevation: 2,414

Located two miles south of the Mason-Dixon Line on U.S. Rt. 40, Grantsville is a pleasant community and the heart of some of Garrett County's most produc-

tive farmland. The Casselman River Bridge and The Casselman Hotel are also popular stopping places for visitors. Penn Alps, originally an 1818 stagecoach stop, is the largest handicraft marketing facility in the mountain region with a restaurant and craft shop. At Spruce Forest Artisan Village, visitors can tour log cabins, school houses, a church and other rustic buildings which house a variety of working artisans.

KITZMILLER

Population: 410, 1.2 percent of total
Elevation: 1,564

Sitting on the shores of the North Branch of the Potomac River, Kitzmiller is a close-knit community where cups of sugar and babysitting services are still regularly traded between neighbors

LOCH LYNN HEIGHTS

Population: 650, 1.9 percent of total
Elevation: 2,438

Located just west of Mountain Lake Park, Loch Lynn Heights sprang from the tracks of the B&O Railroad as a resort area.

MOUNTAIN LAKE PARK

Population: 2,248, 6.4 percent of total
Elevation: 2,466

Located one mile east of Oakland on Maryland Highway, Mountain Lake Park is Garrett County's second largest municipality. Established in 1881, it was envisioned as a Chautauqua-style summer resort. It is known for its unique character and rich variety of Victorian architectural style homes that have been listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

OAKLAND

Population: 2,700, 7.9 percent of total
Elevation: 2,534

This quaint Appalachian community serves as Garrett County's seat and offers some unique business opportunities through the Main Street program in association the Greater Oakland Business Association (GOBA). Designated by the National Historic Trust, Oakland has been named a National Main Street Community. The architectural centerpiece for the town is the 1884 Oakland Train Station. ▲

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Dining out is a key ingredient of any vacation. It gives the cook a break from daily kitchen routines and opens doors to culinary adventures. The Deep Creek Lake Area promises pleasant and memorable dining experiences with menus to tempt any palate. The eateries in Garrett County range from the elegant to the casual, from romantic to family-oriented.

For the coffee-lover, there is nothing that quite equals starting off the day with a mug of freshly brewed coffee served with a flaky pastry or warm

blueberry scone. While in Garrett County, you can try this delightful morning respite at a coffee shop overlooking Deep Creek Lake, while the early sun light dances on water. It's not just a coffee break - it's an experience to create a true vacation memory.

For those in the mood for a hearty morning meal, many restaurants feature weekend breakfast buffets. Long tables boast fresh-from-oven baked goods, savory sausages, warm maple syrup and French toast, plus much more. At some, a full-dinner selection is spread along with the more traditional breakfast foods. This may be one meal that satisfies the appetite all day, leaving only enough room for an afternoon ice cream snack.

Mid-day munchies can be satisfied at one of our specialty pizza shops, which offer a zesty luncheon or dinner option. Other restaurants feature homemade soups and chowders, which are a favorite year-round. Sandwiches are often the lunchtime choice, and you will find plenty to feast on - from hamburgers and French fries to grilled asparagus quesadillas.

At the end of a busy day of sailing, skiing, or hiking, you can treat yourself to an evening of fine dining. Whether you crave a hearty steak sizzling from the grill, delicately flavored French cuisine, pasta in marinara sauce, or shrimp scampi, it will be prepared as you like it and served with personal attention. Add to this a glass of wine or a microbrew and cap it off with an espresso and you will have a perfect conclusion to a perfect day.

Family dining can be as affordable as it is pleasant in Garrett County. Full dinners are available at reasonable rates and families with small children will find that many restaurants offer menus featuring kiddy favorites like macaroni and cheese, peanut butter and jelly, and chicken nuggets.

Whatever your taste preference, time schedule, or budget may be, you can enjoy dining out while visiting the Deep Creek Lake area.

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Fun for the whole family.

In addition to the outdoor activities that bring people back to Garrett County again and again, there is a broad spectrum of events and activities to entertain and delight.

Cool summer evenings seem specially designed for listening to music outdoors. The Little Yough Summer Music Festival in Oakland offers just that. Held in a pavilion along the banks of the Little Youghiogheny River, the music series is free and open to public. The Accident Concert Band also performs several summer afternoon concerts in the Accident Community Park.

Music, games, and general merriment abound at many summertime town festivals in the area. Everyone is invited to join in the fun, which usually features a parade and lots of good food. Check the calendar of events for Grantsville Days, Friendsville Days, Accident's 4th of July Homecoming, and Kitzmiller's Homecoming.

The local music scene also embraces a variety of international musicians under the auspices of Garrett Lakes Arts Festival and Music at Penn Alps, which present top-notch performances. GLAF events take place at various sites in the county, while the Great Hall at Penn Alps provides an intimate venue for the concerts.

A highlight of summer is the 4th of July fireworks. The sky-filling spectacle of lights thunders from the mountainside over Deep Creek Lake. Thousands of folks bring blankets and picnic baskets to enjoy the sights and sounds of this patriotic celebration.

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Listings Key

For more information about individual restaurants, please call them directly.

B - Breakfast
L - Lunch
D - Dinner
C - Cocktails
E - Entertainment
B/W - Beer & Wine Only

Food & Entertainment

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Ad on page: 61
Oakland, 301-334-8850
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Serving: B/L/D
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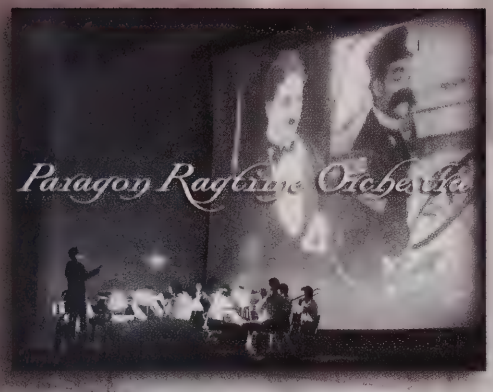

GLAF

Garrett Lakes Arts Festival

March 29	**Roberto Plano** Young Piano Virtuoso (1st Place Winner of 2001Cleveland International Piano Competition)
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July 4	**Garrett Community Concert Band**
July 5-8	**Chautauqua** "Let Freedom Ring" (Thomas Pain, Frederick Douglass, Susan B. Anthony, Franklin D. Roosevelt)
July 7-11	**Young Artists' Workshop**
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July 26	**Bodiography** Contemporary Ballet Company performing GLAF-Commissioned Work
August 17-23	**Music on the Mountain** Classical Music Week with Maestro, David Wroe
August 31	**U.S. Navy "Country Current"** Country & Bluegrass at Deep Creek State Park
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Black Bear Tavern & Restaurant
Ad on page: 55
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-6800
Mon. - Sat. 12 p.m. - 2 a.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: C/E
Serving: L/D
Reservations: No

Boardwalk at Point View Inn
Ad on page: 136
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-3387
Mon. – Fri. 5 - ?, Sat. 12 p.m. - ?
Closed Sun.
Cocktails/Entertainment: C/E
Serving: L/D
Reservations: No

Brenda's Pizzeria
Ad on page: 60
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-1007
11 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: B/W
Serving: L/D
Reservations: No

Cafe 219 Market Square
Ad on page: 64
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-4075
7:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: B/L
Reservations: No

Canoe on the Run
Ad on page: 60
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-5933
Varies seasonally, open daily
Cocktails/Entertainment: B/W
Serving: B/L/D
Reservations: No

Casselman Restaurant
Ad on page: 127
Grantsville, 301-895-5266
Winter: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Summer: 7 a.m. – 10 p.m.,
Closed Sunday
Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: B/L/D
Reservations: Yes

Cornish Manor Restaurant and French Bakery
Ad on page: #62
Oakland, 301-334-6499
Hours vary. Please call for reservations
Cocktails/Entertainment: C
Serving: L/D
Reservations: Yes

DC's Mountain Steak House
Ad on page: 70
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-4911, ext. 2165
5 p.m. – 10 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: C
Serving: D
Reservations: No

Deep Creek Brewing Company
Ad on page: 63
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-2182
Mon. - Thu. 11:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Fri. - Sat. 11:30 a.m. – 11 p.m.
Sun. 11:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: C
Serving: L/D
Reservations: No

Deer Park Inn
Ad on page: 65
Deer Park, 301-334-2308
Hours vary; please call for reservations
Cocktails/Entertainment: C
Serving: D
Reservations: Yes

Dr. Willy's Seafood Carry-out Market
Ad on page: 68
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-7380
April – Oct, 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.
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Four Seasons Dining Room at Will O'the Wisp
Ad on page: 66
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-5503, ext. 2201
Daily 7 a.m – 2 p.m., 5 p.m - 9:30 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: C
Serving: B/L/D
Reservations: Yes

Little Caesars
Ad on page: 61
Oakland, 301-334-6111
Mon. - Thu. 11 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Fri. - Sat. 11a.m. – 11 p.m.,
Sun. 12 p.m. – 10 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: L/D
Reservations: No

Little Sandy's Inc.
Ad on page: 67
Oakland, 301-334-2936
5 a.m. – 11 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: B/L/D
Reservations: No

Little Sandy's
Ad on page: 68
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-9850
Mon. - Sat. 6 a.m. – 8 p.m.,
Sun. 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: B/L/D
Reservations: No

Little Sandy's
Ad on page: 67
Keyser's Ridge, 301-746-8710 or 301 895-3150
24 Hours
Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: B/L/D
Reservations: No

Little Sandy's
Ad on page: 67
Grantsville Market, Grantsville, 301-895-5574
24 Hours

Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: B/L/D
Reservations: No

Long Branch Saloon
Ad on page: 68
Mt. Lake Park, 301-334-4533
Open 4 p.m. Mon. - Sat.
Cocktails/Entertainment: C/E
Serving: D
Reservations: Yes

Mighty Oaks Pub
Ad on page: 68
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-4343
Mon. – Thu., 11:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 11:30 a.m. – 11 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: C/E
Serving: L/D
Reservations: No

Penn Alps Restaurant
Ad on page: 69
Grantsville, 301-895-5985
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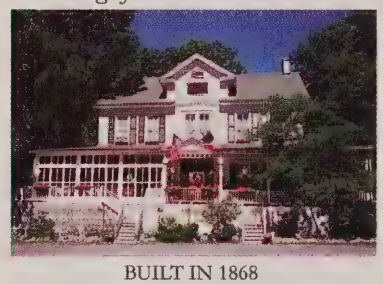

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Pine Lodge Steakhouse
Add on Page: 59
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-6500
Hours vary seasonally. Please call.
Cocktails/Entertainment: C/E
Serving L/D
Reservations: No

Pizzazz Pizzeria at Wisp
Ad on page: 70
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-YUMM (9866)
4:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: L/D
Reservations: No

Point View Inn
Ad on page: 136
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-5555
Summer: 7 Days 8 a.m. – 10 p.m.
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Cocktails/Entertainment: C
Serving: B/L/D
Reservations: Yes

Red Run Lodge Restaurant
Ad on page: 144
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-2626
Hours vary with season. Please call.
Cocktails/Entertainment: C
Serving: Winter D, Summer L/D
Reservations: Yes

Shenanigan's Bar & Grill
Ad on page: 70
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Cocktails/Entertainment: C/E
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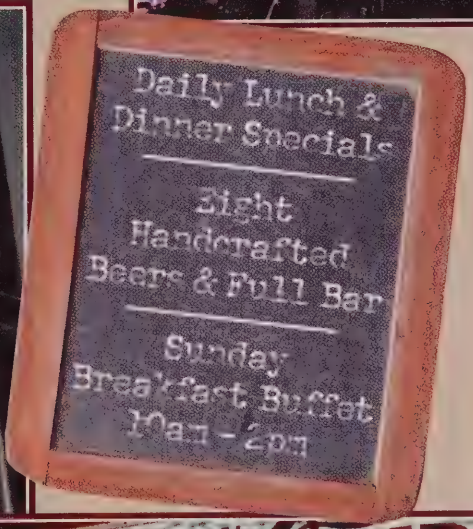

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Oakland, 301-334-5259
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Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: B/L/D
Reservations: No

Traders Coffee House
Ad on page: 60
Deep Creek Lake, 301-387-9246
Varies with season, open at: 7 a.m.
Cocktails/Entertainment: None
Serving: B
Reservations: No ▲

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301-334-4533

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301-895-5993

Mighty Oaks Pub
301-387-4343

Sand Trap Lounge at Oakland Golf Club
301-334-2444

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301-387-8451

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301-387-6500

Point View Restaurant
301-387-5555

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301-387-2626

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301-387-4040

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301-387-4866

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301-334-6499

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301-334-2308

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Discover Treasures In Garrett's Market Place

Taking gifts home to family and friends is a traditional part of any vacation, but it can challenge the creativity of even the dedicated shopper. Visitors to Garrett County's Deep Creek Lake Area will discover that it is easy to find unusual and interesting presents and souvenirs.

While shopping here, you may find that "getting there is half the fun." The very process of going to buy gifts can be an adventure in itself. Consider a tour of Simon Pearce, the

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glass company where you can watch the skilled glassblowers heat globs of molten material from which they steadily coax – almost magically – delicate champagne flutes. After watching this display from a catwalk above the factory floor, you can browse in the gift shop, where you may find some very special bargains!

For a unique gift reflecting your "good taste" you might consider pure local maple syrup or maple sugar candy, an incredibly sweet treat made from boiled-down maple syrup. Several Garrett County farmers still have sugar groves where in late winter they tap the sugar maples to collect sap. They then boil the sap into sweet golden syrup – a perfect topping for hot pancakes or ice cream. During sugaring time, the folks who make Steyer Brothers Maple Syrup give tours of their sugar camp. You can find containers of

Garrett County syrup at local markets and grocery stores.

You can also carry home a keepsake of the area's true mountain heritage. It endures today in the exceptional craftsmanship of local artisans such as those at Spruce Forest Artisan Village. The village campus is located along the National Road in Grantsville and is steeped in the history of those early settlers in their wagons heading westward. Today, 18th and 19th-century log and plank homes serve as workshops for a blacksmith, basket maker, weaver, soap maker, potter, and more. These craftsmen work where visitors may watch and appreciate the intricacy of their trades. Beyond compare is the exquisite, life-like work of Spruce Forest's world champion bird carver, Gary Yoder. As you watch the artisan handcraft the gift you have selected you know it is distinctive and will be treasured.

For a very special gift – to keep or to give – consider the work of area artists, including painters, sculptors, potters, photographers, and woodworkers. Perhaps you would choose a large framed print of Muddy Creek Falls or a winter-woodland scene of Hemlock and Mountain Laurel bowing under the weight of snow. You may select an oil painting, which captures the rustic charm of a red barn amidst the fields plowed into even rows along the contour of a hillside. Or one that tells a tale of blue skies on a sunny day along the banks of a creek or of the deep chill of ice fishing on the frozen lake surface. For a fine sampling of work by local artists, stop in The Gallery, home of the Garrett County Arts Council, in Oakland.

Antiques aficionados will spend endless hours sorting through childhood memories while exploring corners of country antique stores. Shoppers may find a table like one in grandma's kitchen, a porcelain doll,

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or a piece of collectible carnival glass. Garrett County's Chamber of Commerce offers an antiquing brochure identifying nearly a dozen area dealers. Each offers a unique peek into the past and a memory to savor in the future.

It is hard to pass by a store featuring Amish furniture and not stop to admire the well-formed chairs, tables, and dressers. The golden gleam of the smooth wood surfaces just seems to ask you to touch and to appreciate the fine quality of every piece. From the fluid lines of a bentwood to the substantial family dining table, each reflects pride of workmanship. Whether you fancy a pie safe or a dry sink, a kitchen table or corner hutch, you will probably find it and more in one of the many shops that offer this fine furniture.

How about some local history or folklore to take home with you? When you check the selection of reading materials along the well-stocked shelves of the Book Mark'et in historic Oakland, you will undoubtedly find something just right for someone you care about. But, you also should pick up some reading material to enjoy yourself. This is your vacation so take time to indulge yourself.

For information on shopping as an occasion to relish, check www.garrettchamber.com or stop by the Visitors Center at Deep Creek Lake. ▲

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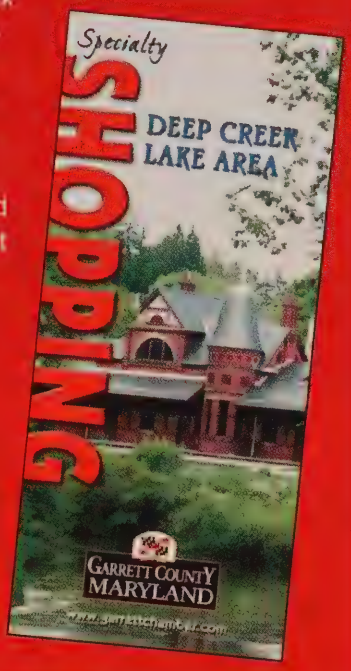
Specialty Shopping in Garrett County

No trip to Garrett County's Deep Creek Lake Region is complete without a souvenir to remind you of the good times you've had. The specialty shops of the area provide a multitude of keepsakes and a whole lot more. With a strong Mennonite history and population, hand carved furniture is a specialty in Garrett County. Homemade soaps, candles, pottery, jams and baked goods are widespread in the county, along with arts and crafts, antiques, and home décor items.



The Specialty Shopping Brochure, available at the Garrett County Visitors Center, has a full color map detailing where each shop is located with a brief description. In the brochure you will find shops ranging from country markets to galleries with a wonderful assortment in between. The Specialty Shopping Brochure is an essential tool for the "professional" shopper in the family or for anyone wanting to take a little bit of Deep Creek Lake back home with them.

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Garrett County's 845 businesses employ 8,500 workers: an estimated 16 of these businesses have 100 or more

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Employment Statistics

2000 Employment (By place of work)
Annual Average

Industry	Employment	Percentage	Avg. Weekly Wage
Federal Government	104	1.0	$545
State Government	168	1.7	560
Local Government	1,365	13.5	509
Private Employment	8,503	83.9	393
Construction	772	7.6	425
Manufacturing	1,130	11.1	457
Transportation, Communication and Utilities	531	5.2	483
Wholesale Trade	654	3.5	370
Retail Trade	2,236	22.1	285
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	520	5.1	396
Services	2,420	23.9	366
Other	540	5.3	711
Total	**10,140**	**100.0**	**413**

Note: Percentages may not add up due to rounding
Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation. Office of Labor Market Analysis and Information conjunction with U.S. Bureau of the Census.

workers. Major private employers include Fechheimer, RHI Refractories, The Data Entry Company, Inc., Southern Garrett Business and Technology Park and the Mettiki Coal Corporation.

Central Garrett Industrial Park, Southern Garrett Industrial Park, and Northern Garrett Industrial Park are State Enterprise Zones. Garrett County is a HUB (Historically Underutilized Business) Zone as designated by the U.S. Small Business Administration. Garrett County is also one of seven counties participating in the One Maryland Program, which offers significant tax credits for capital investments that create jobs.

General Information

County Seat: Oakland

Government: Three commissioners elected at large for 4-year terms

Elevation: Ranges from 900 to 3,360 feet above sea level

Land Area: 657 square miles

Deep Creek Lake

Elevation: 2,462 feet

Area of lake at full pool: 3,900 acres

Average depth: 26 feet

Maximum depth: 72 feet

Summer surface temperature: 73 degrees F

Summer bottom temperature: 49 degrees F

Ice cover in mid-winter: 18 inches, approx.

Climate

Average yearly precipitation: 47.3"
Average yearly snowfall: 82.0"
Average summer temperature: 65.9 F
Average winter temperature: 28.0 F
Average duration of freeze-free period: 122 days

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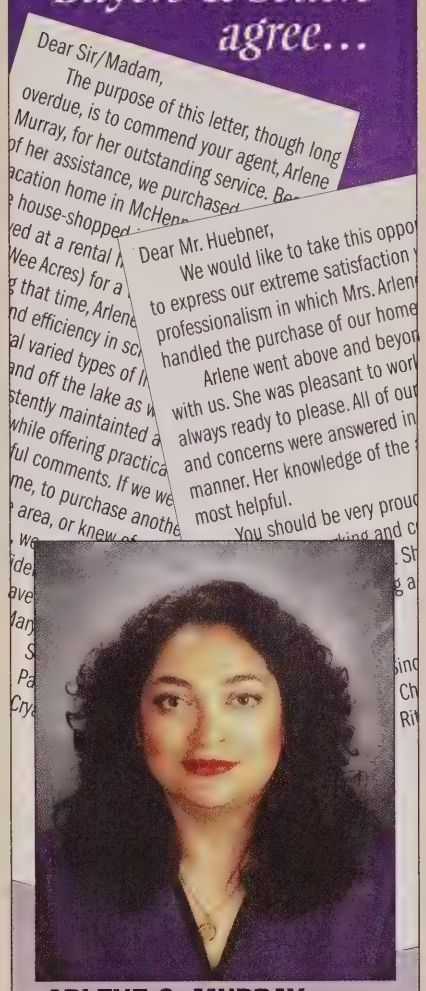

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Students per Teacher: 13.7 (Oct. 2000)

SAT Scores: 504-Math; 494-Verbal; 998-Total (2001)

High School Career/Tech

Enrollment: 915 (Sept. 2000)

High School Graduates: 286 (June 2001)

Higher Education

Garrett College: Enrollment: (2001) 638 Degrees: (2000) 104

Education Attainment – age 25 and over:
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New York, NY	341	549
Philadelphia, Pa.	267	430
Pittsburgh, Pa.	96	154
Richmond, Va.	222	357
Washington, D.C.	163	262

Career and Technical Education (CTE):

The County's secondary schools offer career/technical programs and include courses in agricultural production, carpentry, drafting, industrial electronics, food management, general office services, machine tool operation, and mechanics. Over 900 secondary students are enrolled in vocational/occupational courses countywide. Garrett College also offers career and technical programs.

Higher Education:

Garrett College, a two-year college, has an enrollment of approximately 700. More than 35,000 students are enrolled in seven institutions of higher education within 60 miles of Oakland.

Maryland State Department of Education and Higher Education Commission; U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Labor Availability

Garrett County Civilian Labor Force (2000 annual averages)*

Total Civilian Labor Force:	13,453
Employment	12,307
Unemployment	1,146
Unemployment Rate	8.5%

Residents commuting outside the County to work (2000)**
2,543 20.7%
Employment in selected occupations (2000)**
Professional and Technical
1,443 11.7%
Manufacturing, Trade and Distribution
4,797 39.0%

* By place of residence; preliminary data
** Estimated based on percentages from the 1990 Census.

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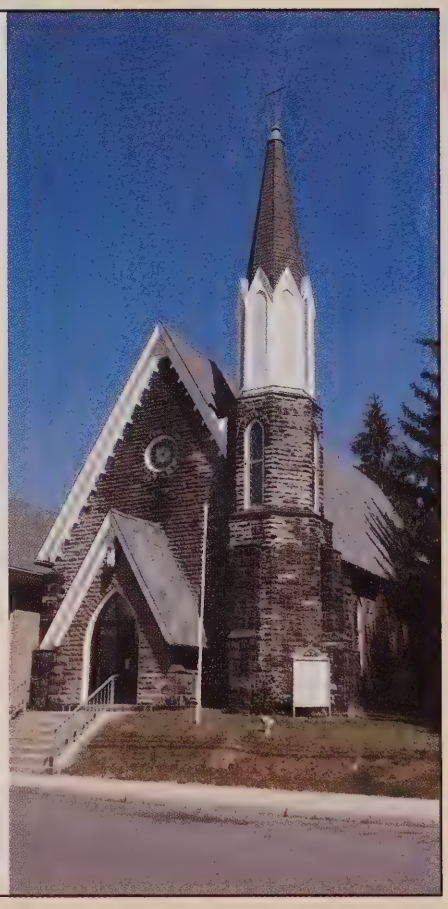

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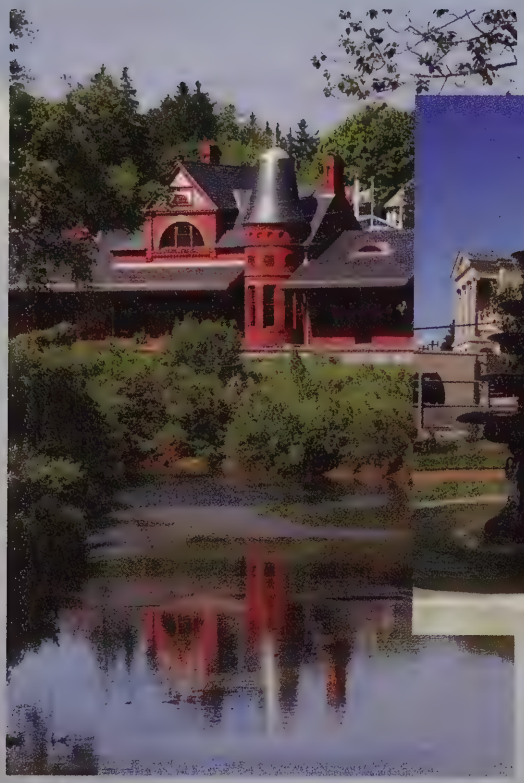

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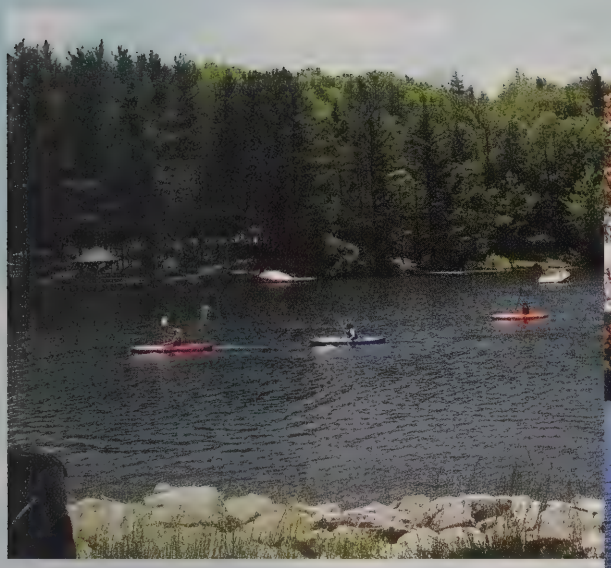

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Under $25,000	48.2	22.3	31.6
$25,000 - $49,999	33.3	29.5	30.2
$50,000 - $74,999	13.7	25.0	20.5
$75,000 and over	4.8	23.2	17.7
Median Household	$25,958	$45,421	$39,130
Average Household	$31,865	$56,244	$49,252
Per Capita	$11,790	$20,844	$18,426
Total EBI (Millions)	$354	$111,206	$5,230,825

Note: Effective Buying Income is money income less personal tax and non-tax payments. It is commonly known as 'disposable income.'
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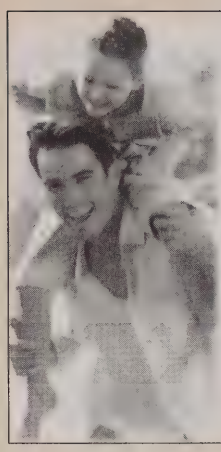

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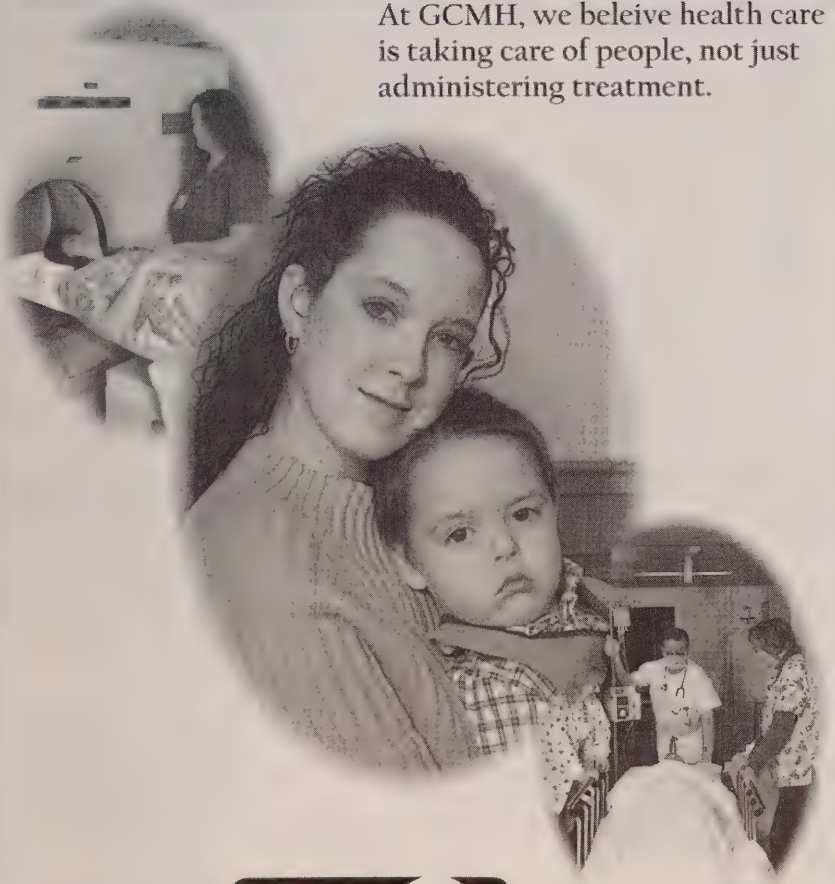

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Telecommunications: Local Carrier – Verizon Communications - MD. Long distance Carriers – AT&T, MCI WorldCom, Sprint, and over 250 additional carriers and resellers of WATS and MTS. Multiple Internet service providers.

Garrett County Employers

Selected Employers

Firm	Product	Employment
The Beitzel Corporation	Metal fabrication products	155
Demaree Inflatable Boats	Rubber boats	22
Fechheimer	Shirts	240
Financial Computer Support, Inc.	Computer software	50
First United National Bank & Trust	Bank	140
Garrett Container Systems, Inc.	Aluminum containers	60
Total Biz Fulfillment	Publication distributor	30
Merkle Response Services	Data processing	116
Mettiki Coal Corp.	Processed coal	275
Phenix Technologies, Inc.	High voltage testing equipment	70
Recreational Industries, Inc.	Ski resort management	150
Simon Pearce	Hand blown glassware	27
The Data Entry Company, Inc.	Data processing service	175
Wood Products, Inc.	Hardwood lumber	165
Yoder's, Inc.	Meat packing	57

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2001 Hourly Wages

Selected Occupations:	Median	Entry	Experienced
Accountants	15.60	12.40	21.30
Bookkeeping/accounting clerks	10.50	7.40	13.00
Computer systems analysts	26.70	20.30	30.50
Customer service representatives	10.10	7.90	11.60
Electrical engineers	31.60	23.30	35.60
Electrical engineering technicians	16.50	9.90	19.00
Freight, stock and material hand movers	9.00	7.10	11.70
Industrial truck operators	11.50	8.80	15.10
Machinists	11.20	9.70	13.50
Maintenance workers, machinery	13.70	9.20	17.40
Packaging and filling machine operators	11.00	9.60	12.70
Receptionists	8.73	6.79	10.03
Secretaries	10.60	7.30	12.10
Shipping/receiving clerks	9.40	7.00	12.40
Team assemblers	9.50	7.80	10.30
Tool and die makers	30.20	19.30	31.20

Note: These wages are an estimate of what workers might expect to receive in Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington Counties).

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Garrett County Maryland

Corporate Income Tax: none
7.0% Base – Federal taxable income.

Personal Income Tax: 2.65%
4.80%* Base – Federal adjusted gross income.

* Graduated tax peaking at 4.80% on taxable income over $3,000.

Sales and Use Tax

none 5.00%

Exempt: sales for resale; manufacturer's purchase of raw materials; manufacturing machinery and equipment; purchases of materials and equipment used in R&D and testing of finished products; purchases of computer programs for reproduction or incorporation into another computer program for resale.

Real Property Taxes

$1.036 $0.084

Effective rate per $100 of assessed value.

In addition to this rate, there are some miscellaneous taxes and/or special taxing areas in the county. In an incorporated area, the County rate may vary and a municipal rate will also apply.

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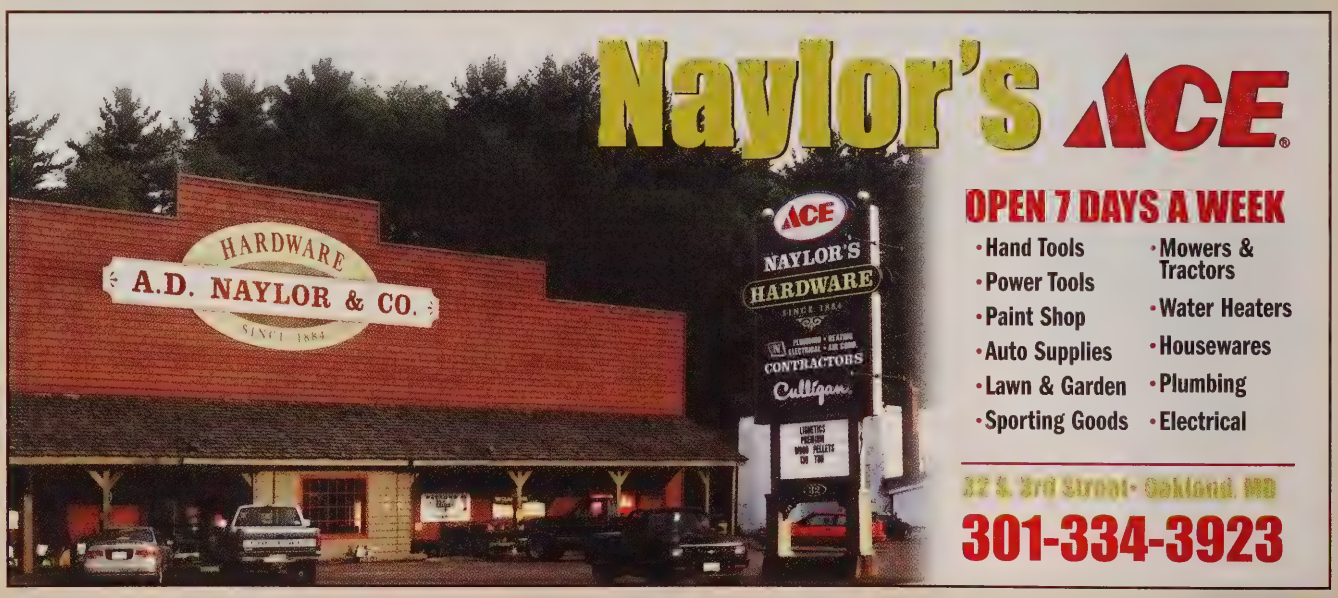

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Garrett County Population

Year	Garrett County	Western Maryland *	Maryland
1990	28,138	224,477	4,780,753
2000	29,846	236,699	5,296,486
2005**	30,800	240,900	5,533,350
2010**	31,600	244,900	5,722,800
2015**	32,250	248,600	5,912,400

* Allegany, Garrett & Washington Counties. ** Projection. (July 2002)
U.S. Bureau of the Census

Population Distribution (2000 Census)

Age	Total	%
Under 18	7,484	25.1
18 – 34	5,957	20.0
35 - 54	8,681	29.1
55 - 74	5,652	18.9
75 and over	2,072	6.9
Total	29,846	100.0

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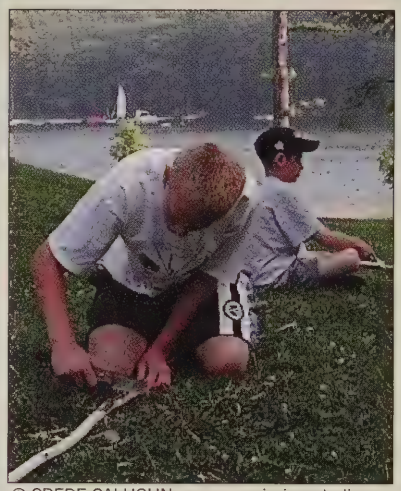

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In the towns of Garrett County, neighbors sit on the wide front porches of comfortable homes overlooking "Main Street." You can walk to the Post Office, bank, library, or pharmacy. The folks behind the counters greet you by name and neighbors wave or stop to talk a while. Life moves along at a comfortable pace.

Spring flowers brighten front walks and window boxes. Stout oaks and maples shade the sidewalks from summer sun to create some lifetime memories – you can do it right here in the hometowns of the Deep Creek Lake Area. Under the cloudless blue skies of October, when the air is crisp with chill, the sunlight filters through the bare branches to warm you as leaves crunch with each step.

Winter snows bring strings of holiday lights, decorating of town trees, neighborhood caroling, and visits from Santa toting treats for the children.

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Homeownership, second-home homeownership and investment property continue to push up the land cost and new construction starts at record rates. The local court clerk recently shared that the amount of transfer tax he turned over to local government tripled in a year's time. The local assessor's office tracks land values from several perspectives. Large tracts from around the County, highly desirable for hunting and wildlife refuges, have been rising in value with the result that none is available for less than $1000 an acre.

Deep Creek Lake resales are a great investment. From 2000 to 2002 lakefront land values alone rose over 96 percent. During the same period condominium prices increased almost 41 percent. While the increase in full cash value for Garrett County homes was below the State average – 22.2 percent versus 26.4 percent — for last year, that follows a year in which values shot up 19.4 percent versus the State's 15.9 percent. In the preceding eight years the average increase in Garrett County values was 7.8 percent. Of all transfers in Garrett County in 2002, total consideration tallied $229,839,290, $169,629,262 of which represents the Deep Creek Lake district.

Totally new properties tell the same story in the first half of fiscal year 2003. In all of Garrett County 146 new properties were built for a total value of $27,132,178. In the Deep Creek Lake district there were 60 new properties for a total value of $17,643,103. And while these figures reflect the popularity of the "vacation rental home," a generally three-level, super luxurious structure with room to sleep upwards of thirty people, figures for single-family homes are just as revealing. From 1999 to 2002 permits for new homes countywide rose from 219 to 405 for a total value of over $66 million. In the same period, roughly half of those permits were for Deep Creek Lake homes, but the total value of that half was nearly $53 million.

With a "Main Street" project active in each Garrett County municipality and major renovations of private Victorian homes in the county seat of Oakland that the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad built at the turn of the century, the wealth of Deep Creek Lake is distributed throughout the County in two forms. The property tax bill of non-Lake residents would be higher without those rocketing values around Deep Creek because rates would be higher across the County.

Geography and nature make Deep Creek Lake and all of Garrett County the wise investments in real estate they are. 90,000-plus acres of the County are public land. The drive to be home or in a second home or on that getaway vacation is just three short hours tops from Baltimore, Charleston, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Columbus, Philadelphia or Washington, D.C. Popular concepts like "ski-in, ski-out" at the Wisp Ski Resort drive the homebuilding to new heights and prove that "there's gold in them thar hills!" ▲

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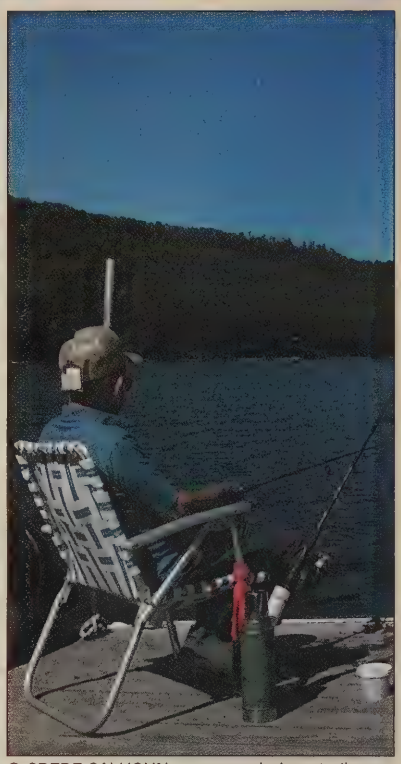

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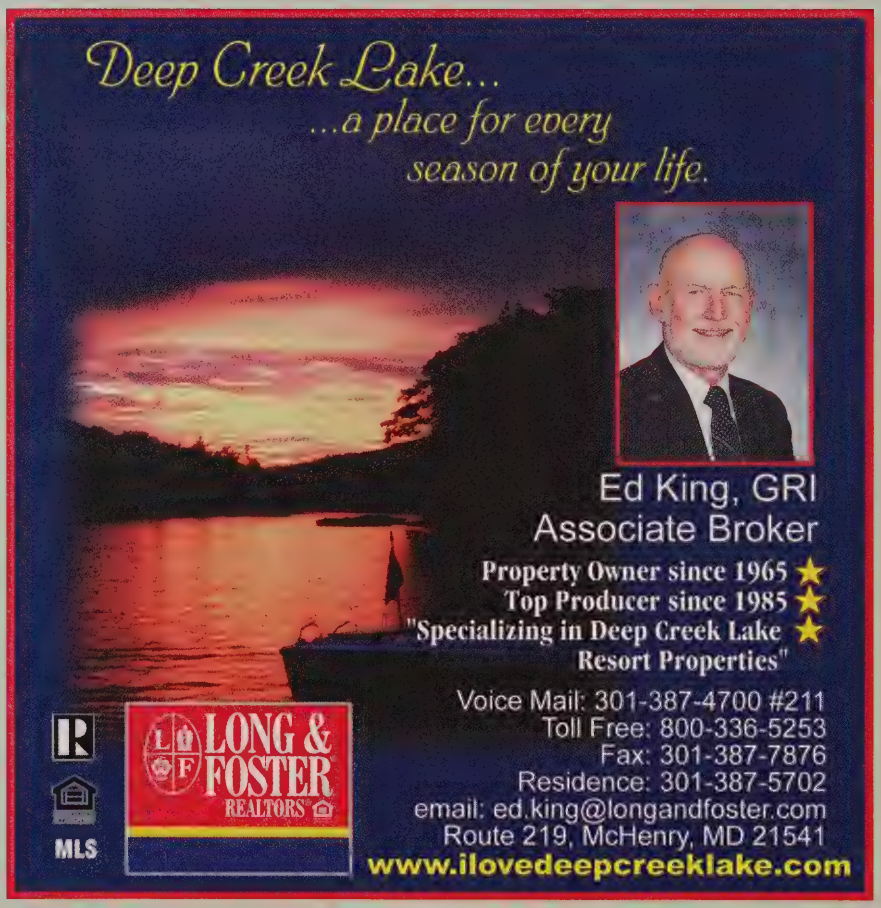

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Vacationing With Black Bears

Black bears have an interesting history as part of Maryland's natural heritage. In pre-colonial times, bears were considered "vermin" and a threat to man. As our pioneer ancestors cleared the forests, bears were driven from most areas due to habitat changes.

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Black bears can become a nuisance, however, particularly for people who live near prime bear habitat. Conflict between bears and people arise when bears damage personal property and agricultural products. A bear will take advantage of any food available. Never feed a bear – they come to rely on the easy meal rather than foraging the woods. Also, please keep meat scraps in the freezer until trash pick up day, rinse food cans and wrappers before disposing, keep pet food indoors, and keep BBQ grills and picnic tables clean. When a bear finds a food source, it will usually return to that source regularly.

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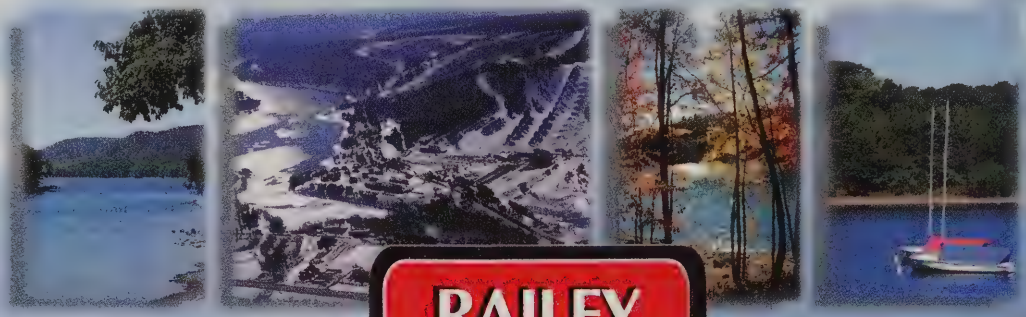

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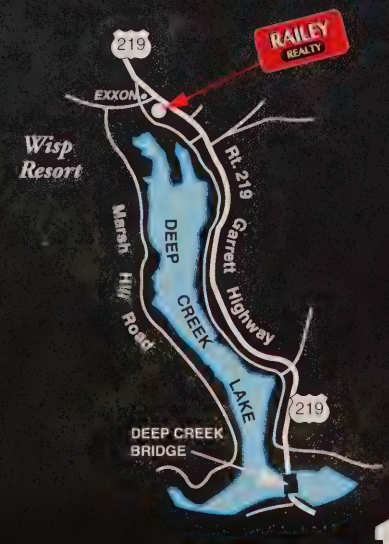

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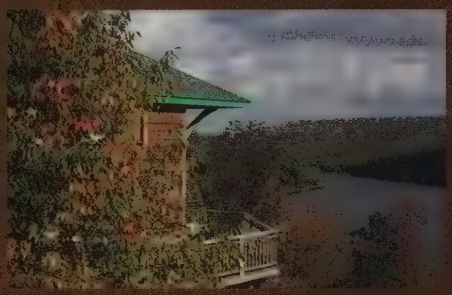

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Here are some important pointers if you encounter a bear:

1. If a bear stands on its hind legs while staring at you, it is not a sign of aggression. Bears rely on their sense of smell to alert them to potential danger and they are just "checking you out."

2. If you see a cub, the mother is almost always nearby and very protective. Be careful to avoid positioning yourself between a mother and her cub.

3. The way a bear shows aggressive behavior is to woof, snap its jaws, slap the ground or shrubs, or act like it's about to charge at you. These are signs that you are too close and the bear is feeling threatened. Slowly back away. Always leave the bear an escape route.

4. Bears can usually be chased away with loud noises – yell, bang pans or use an air horn.

As a visitor, it is important to help minimize bear confrontations. They are most commonly seen in Deep Creek State Park and along the Youghiogheny River corridor. The most important thing to remember is to never panic. There are no recorded bear attacks in western Maryland. So, if you see a bear, give it plenty of space, slowly back away and enjoy the experience.▲

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North Glade Inn Deep Creek Lake 301-387-3373	131	Y	10 rooms	Y	Y	Y	N	Access	$$$
Red Run Lodge Deep Creek Lake 800-898-7786 or 301-387-2626	144	Y	6 rooms 2 suites	Y	Y	N	N	Y	$$
Savage River Inn Deep Creek Lake 301-245-4440	146	Y	2 rooms 2 suites	N	Y	N	N	N	$$
Streams & Dreams Retreat Deep Creek Lake 301-3-TROUT-1 or 301-387-6881	145	Y	3 rooms 2 cottages	Y	N	N	N	N	$$
Walnut Ridge Grantsville 888-419-2568 or 301-895-4248	146	Y	2 rooms 1 suite 1 cabin/ 1 cottage	N	Y	N	Y	N	$

Meeting & Retreat Facilities

Name/Address/Contact Information *Without Accommondations*	Meeting Rooms/ Capacity	Accommodations	Food Service/ A/V	Comments
Silver Tree Center – Tom Shaffer 567 Glendale Rd., Oakland, MD 21550 301-387-4394 / 4040; fax: 301-387-9630 www.silvertreecenter.com ste@silvertreecenter.com	4/ 10 - 200	0	Y/ Y	Spectacular Deep Creek lakefront facility, open year-round. Full service banquet, catering & restaurant facilities. Perfect for weddings, rehearsal dinners, business meetings, & parties. Rentals in walking distance. Our presentation will WOW you!
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Comfort Inn – Karen Taylor, Sherrie Kelso 2704 Deep Creek Drive, McHenry, MD 21541 301-387-4200 or 800-225-5150 www.choicehotels.com comfortinndeepcreek@earthlink.com	1/ 50	75 rooms	Y/ Y	75 newly renovated, oversized guestrooms, king rooms available with whirlpool tubs, bi-level king- size bed suites available, deluxe continental breakfast included.
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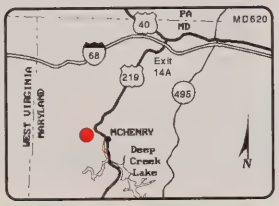

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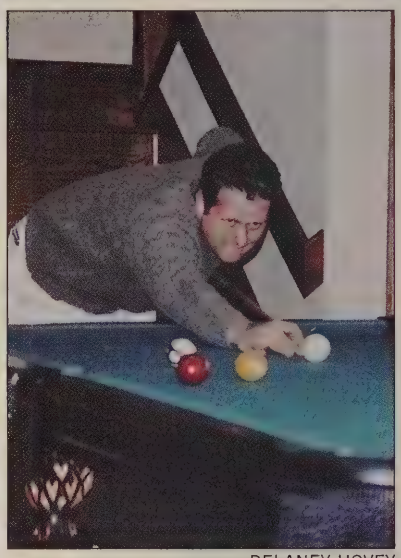

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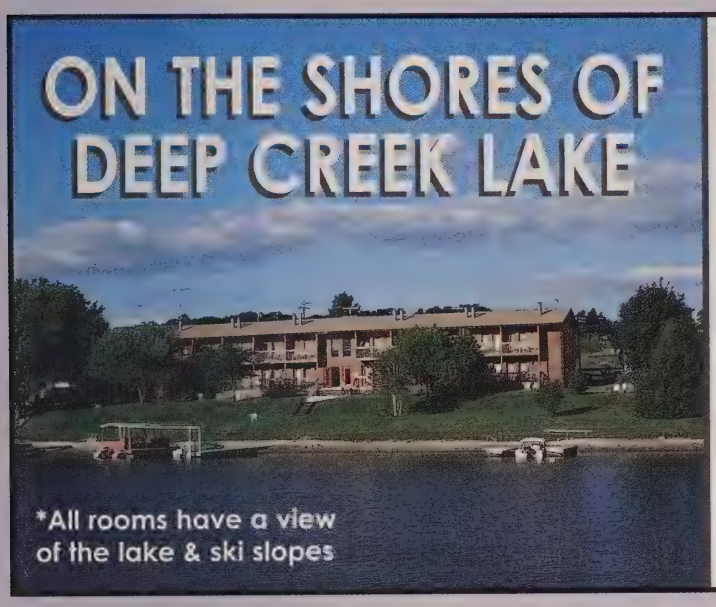

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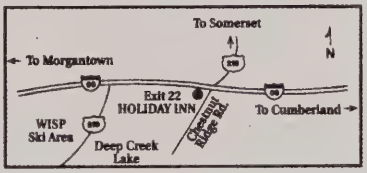

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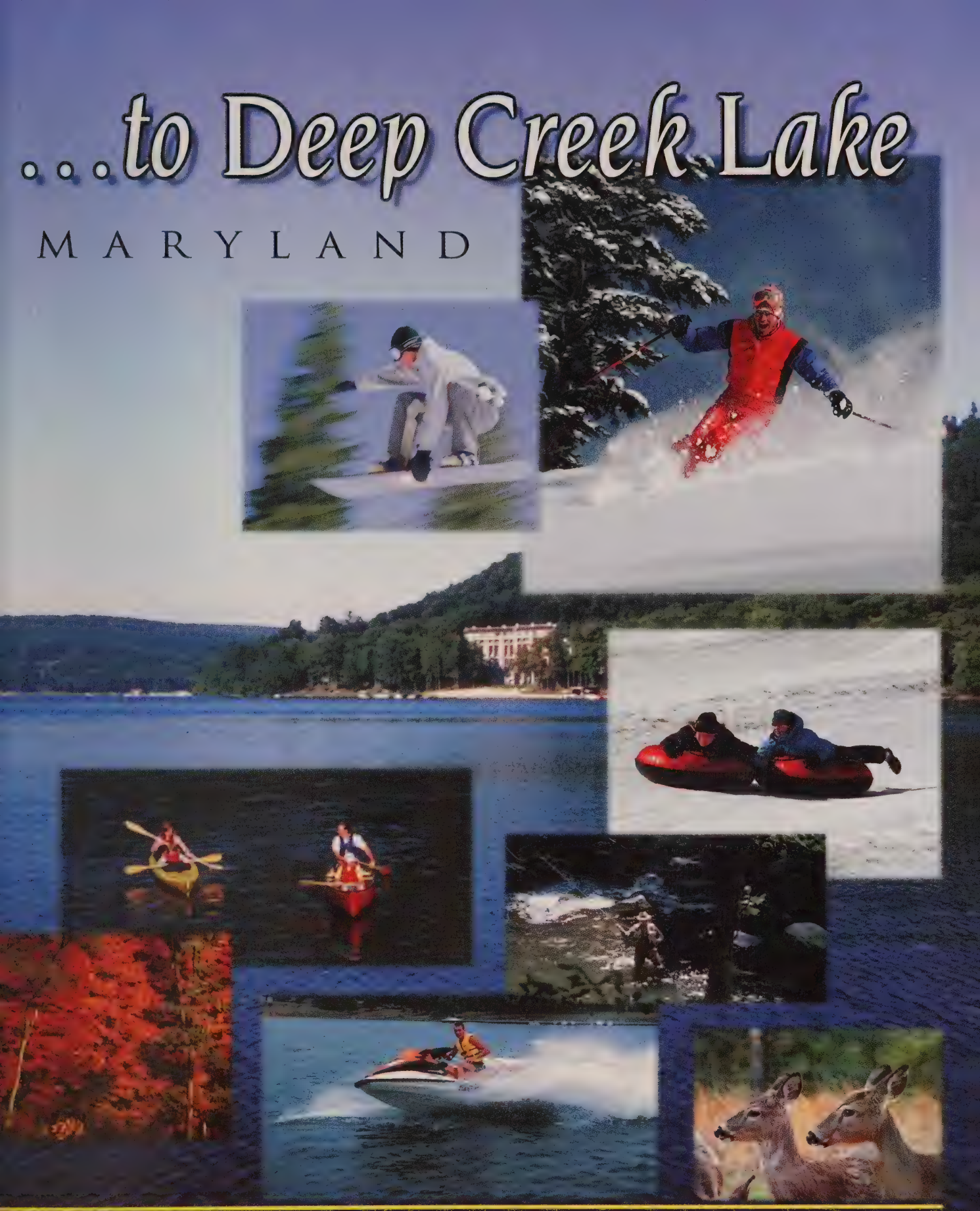

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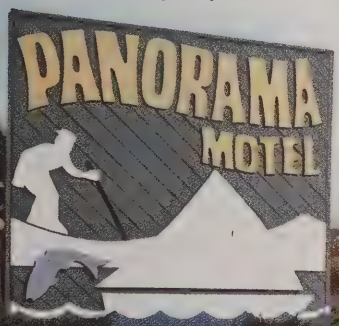

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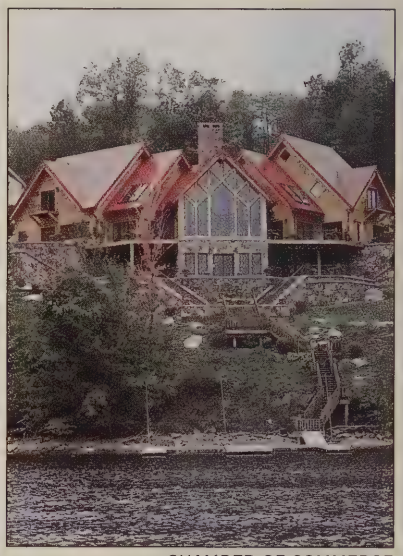

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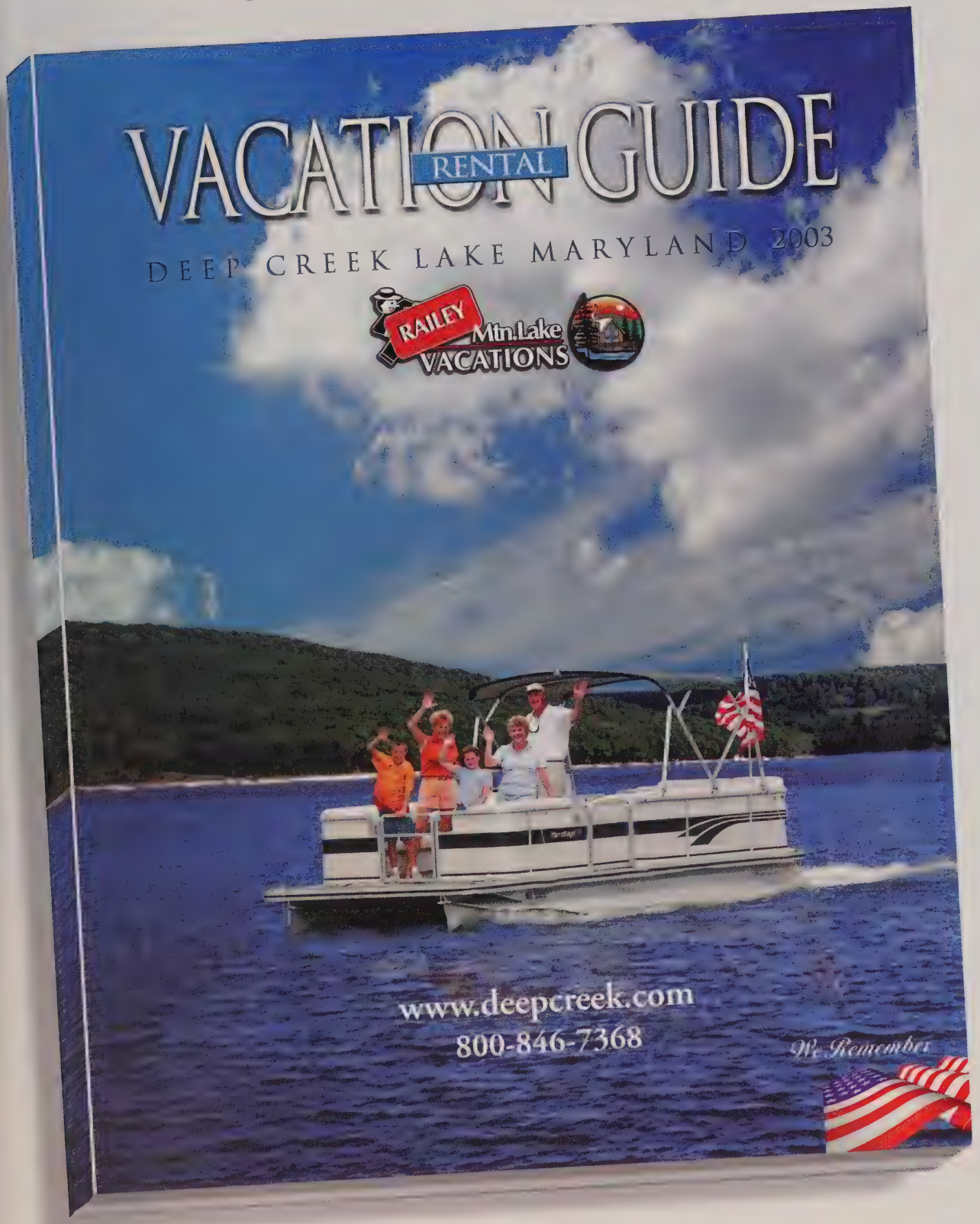

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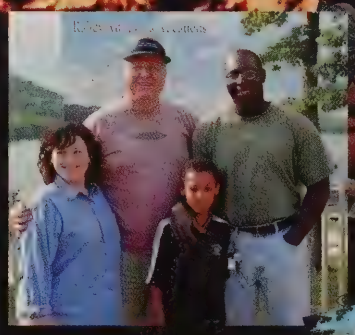

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Ritz on the Lake

Redefining excellence, Ritz on the Lake is unmatched in style and quality. The exquisite interior boasts 4 master suites, 3 large gathering areas, and excellent lake views. Stay at home and make good use of the pool table, outdoor hot tub and indoor swimming pool; however, restaurants, state parks, and shopping are within 2 miles and ski slopes within a 5-minute drive. Ritz on the lake, the name says it all!
8 BEDROOMS, 7.5 BATHS,
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Sundance II

Echoing the wide-open feel of the lake and lush mountains, this incredible new lakefront chalet possesses comfortably appointed rooms, full of grace and charm. Massive windows and an expansive deck offer endless opportunities to enjoy the beautiful views of the lake. Whether enjoying the DVD home theater system, the oversize hot tub, or partaking of nearby area attractions, come live the good life at Sundance II!
7 BEDROOMS, 6.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 22

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Unforgettable

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8 BEDROOMS, 7.5BATHS,
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American Eagle Lodge

Pleasure on the grand scale! This new lakefront chalet boasts superb furnishings, spacious rooms, and ideal location. Serene lake views and dramatic winter vistas of the lighted ski slopes dominate the 6 master suites and 3 large gathering areas. Located on a level lawn 20 yard from the water's edge and within 2 minutes of the ski slopes and restaurants, American Eagle Lodge is a perfect vacation idyll.
8 BEDROOMS, 7.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 26

Journey's End

This breathtaking cedar and stone chalet stands in regal splendor, overflowing with amenities guaranteed to delight all. Dual sitting areas, two fireplaces and twin hot tubs double your fun while eight master suites and bi-level decks provide relaxing and tranquil areas for larger groups. Located close to the water's edge, this magnificent chalet offers incredible panoramic lake views from most rooms. Search no more; you've reached Journey's End. 8 BEDROOMS, 8.5 BATHS, OCCUPANCY: 26

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Mallard's Landing

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8 BEDROOMS, 9.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 24

Splash Mountain

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6 BEDROOMS, 6 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY 16

Quiet Splendor

This brand new lakefront chalet has taken excellence to a new level with quality décor and incredible features. Reigning supreme upon an outstanding nearly level lakefront, this enchanting chalet offers mesmerizing views of the lake and ski slopes, spacious decking for relaxing interludes as well entertaining features such as a pool table and hot tub. Centrally located, downhill skiing, restaurants, and shopping are within minutes. Quiet Splendor is truly one of a kind.
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8 BEDROOMS, 6.5 BATHS,
OCCUPANCY: 22

Under construction/similar house

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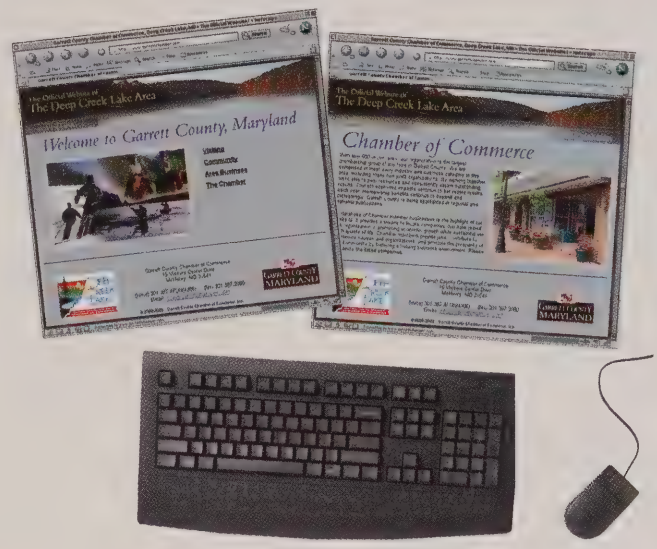

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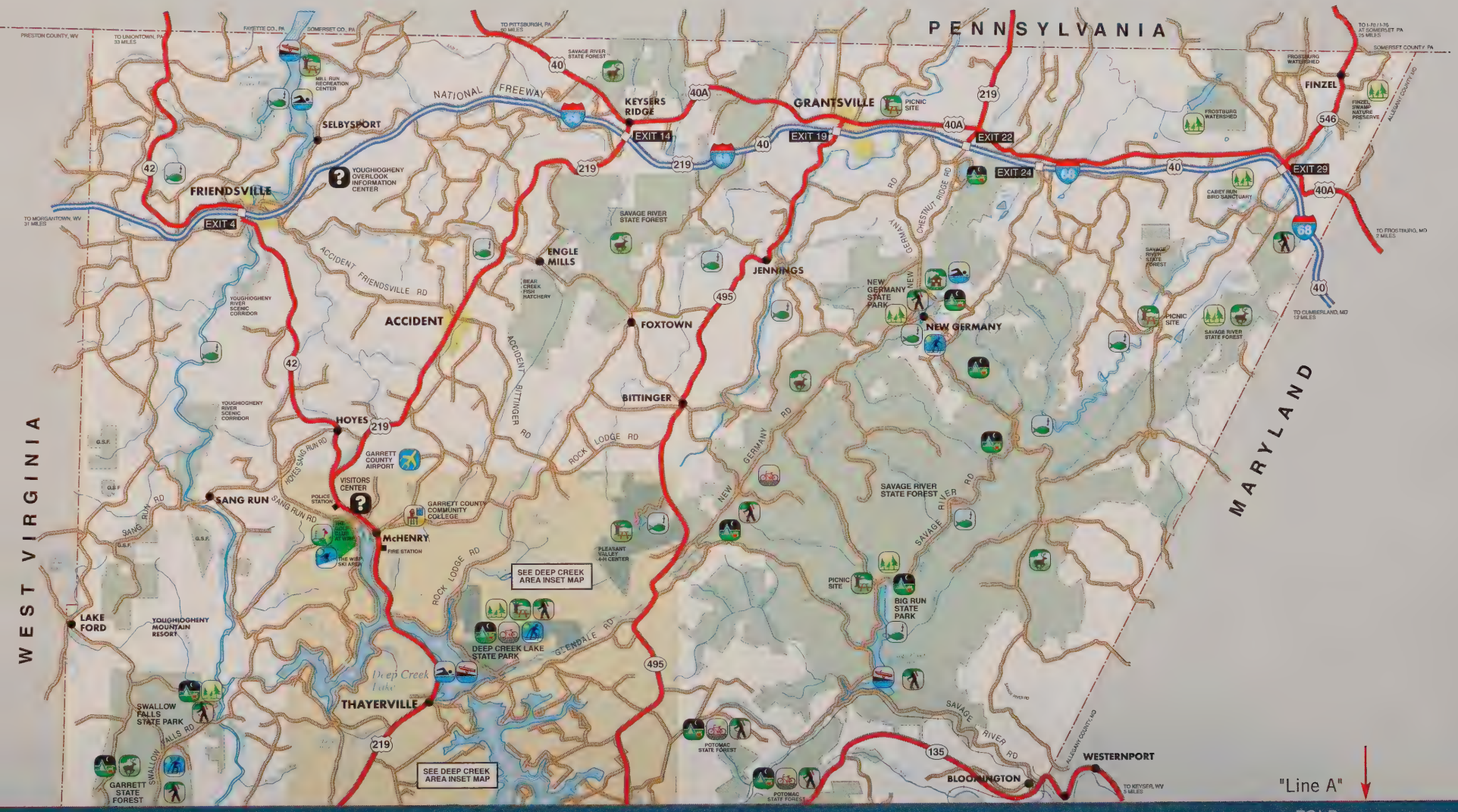

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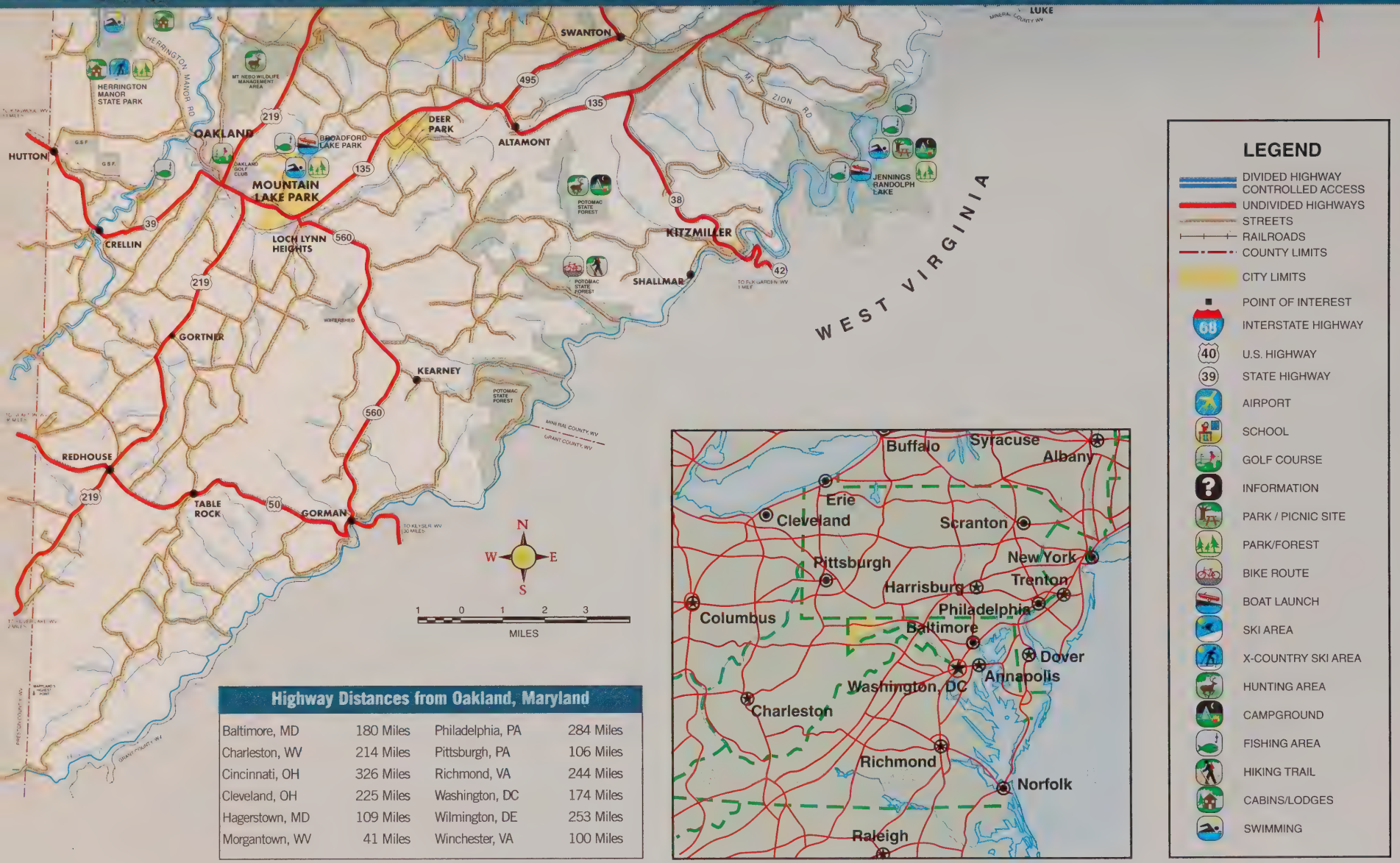

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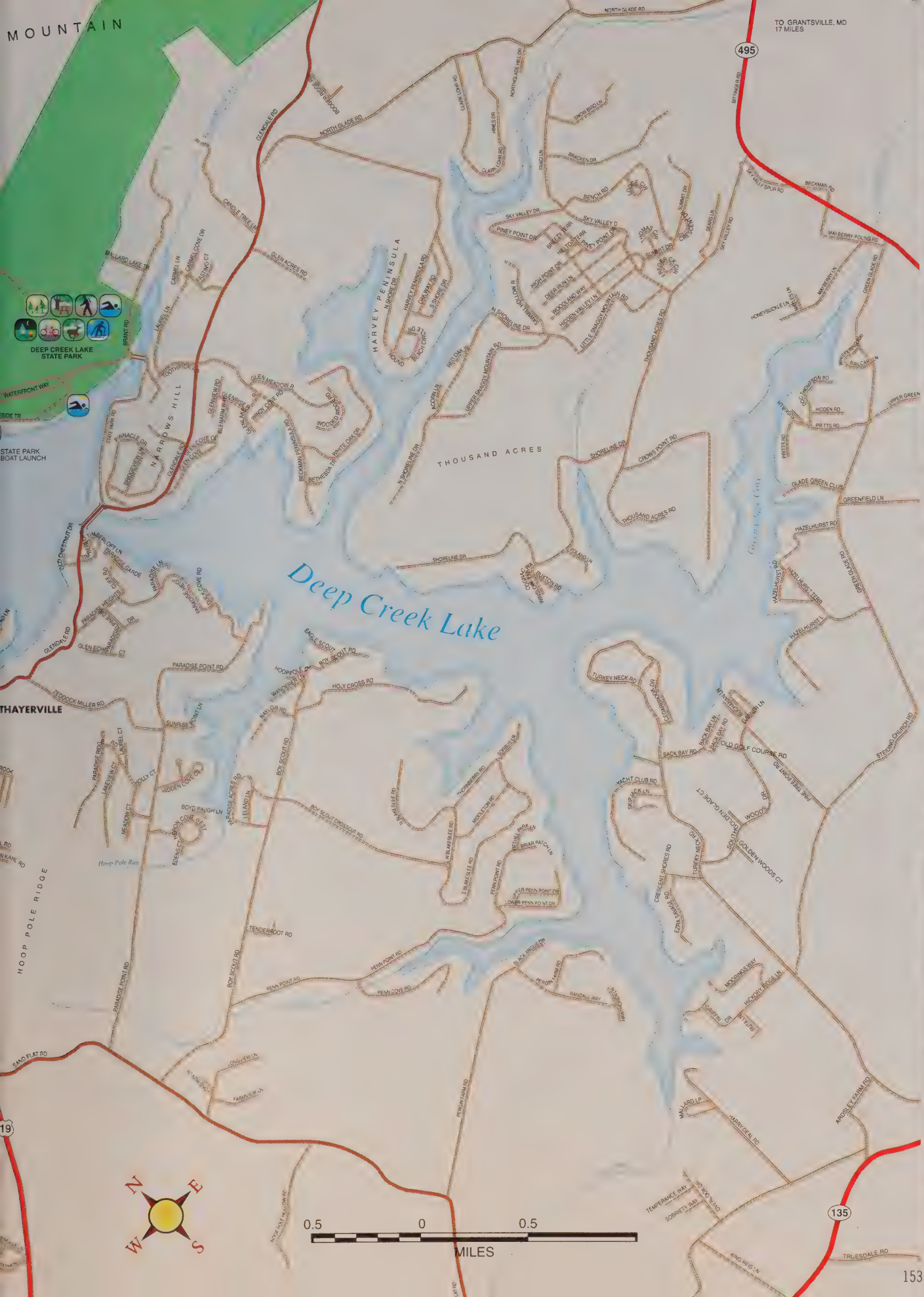
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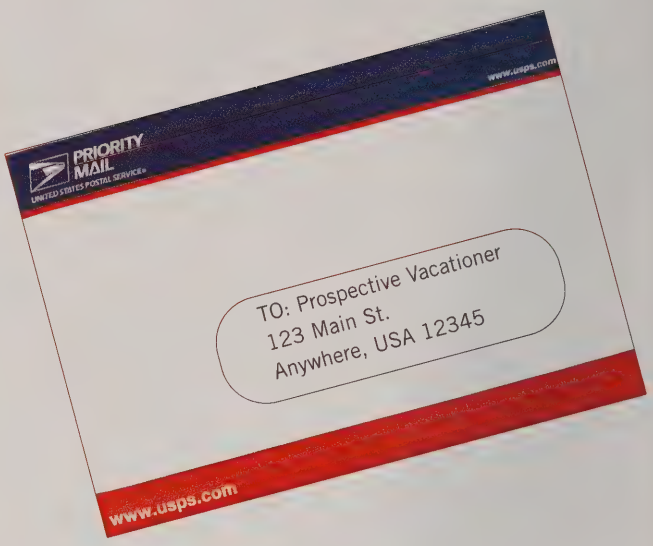

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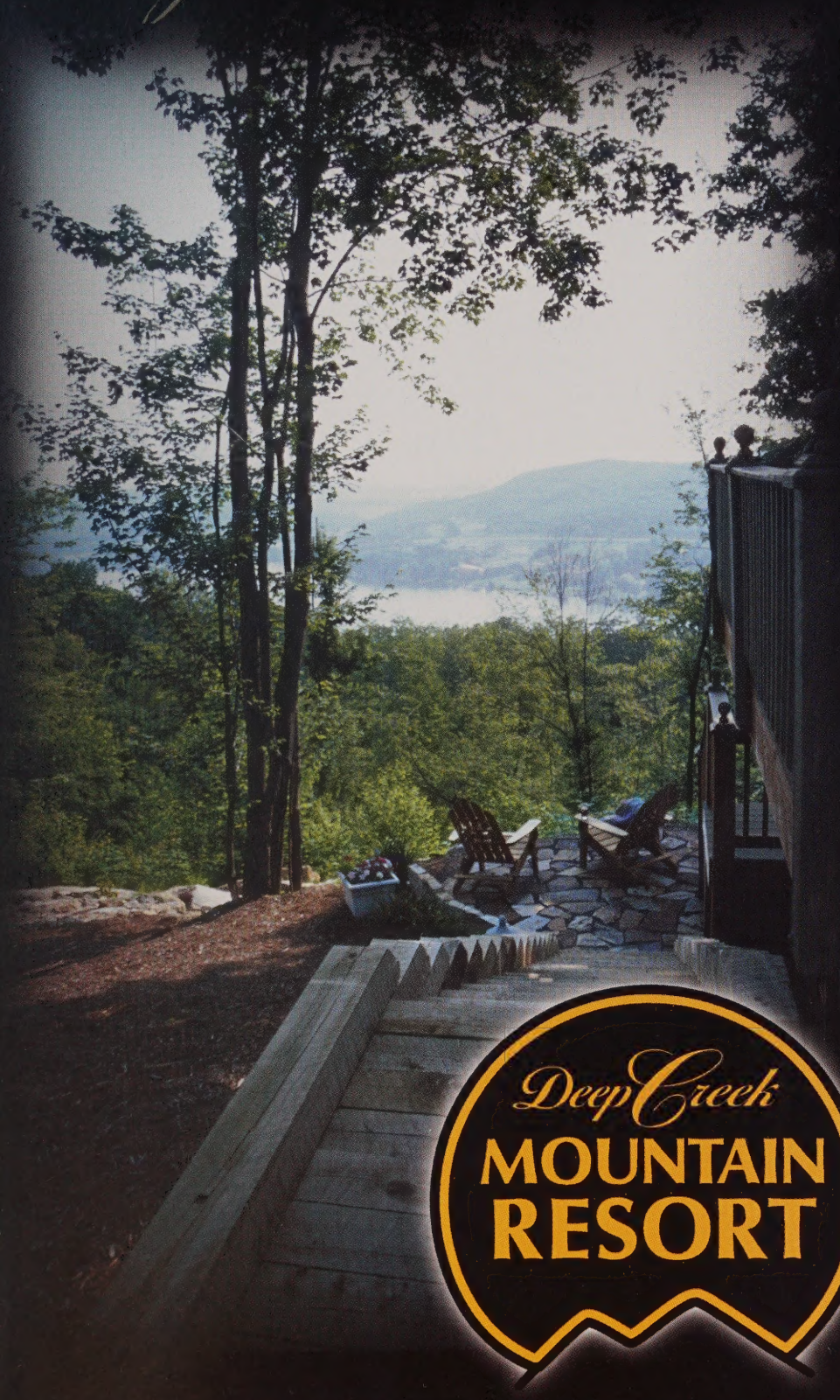

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